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'The Young Turks' Host Ana Kasparian On Why Millennials Will Change Democracy For The Better



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I spoke to Ana Kasparian, the co-host and producer for the online news show *The Young Turks*, about the most important issues facing the millennial generation, why she's betting on her generation to save our democracy, the role of new media when it comes to covering news, her heritage as an immigrant and her best advice to you.

Kasparian began her tenure with [The Young Turks](#) as a host and producer in 2007, and has contributed to the explosion of the show's popularity as the largest online news program. Her honest coverage and dedication to truthful commentary was honored in 2010 by the [National Press Photographers Association](#) for her coverage of the 2009 G8 summit in Pittsburgh. Kasparian has also been honored by the [National Endowment for Democracy](#) for her work in promoting democratic values and human rights.

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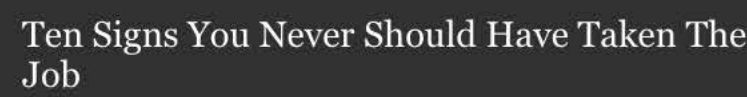
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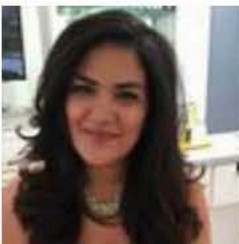
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Young Turks host Cenk Uygur with Sen. Bernie Sanders.

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CULVER CITY, Calif. — [The Young Turks](#) feel the Bern.

For months, the progressive online news program, which has amassed 2.4 million subscribers since it started live streaming on YouTube in 2005, has been trying to get the Democratic presidential candidate to appear on their show.

But it wasn't until late Tuesday night that the Young Turks found out it was actually happening — thanks to help from a fan petition and a lucky opening in Sanders' schedule during his Los Angeles visit.

On Wednesday, the Vermont senator trekked to Culver City to sit down with Young Turks host Cenk Uygur for a 30-minute interview.





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Raised in a home by Armenian immigrant parents, Ana Kasparian adopted their diligent work ethic. Productivity and independence were qualities not encouraged but demanded, and Kasparian says she thrived in that pressure cooker environment. Once she decided on a career in news, her ambition was laser sharp.

She tirelessly hustled. Ten years later, she’s recently celebrated her decennial work anniversary at The Young Turks Network (TYT). She co-anchors The Young Turks show, a daily webcast featuring news, political commentary, entertainment, sports and pop culture, with Cenk Uygur TYT's CEO. As Kasparian puts it, part of the show’s strength is that it’s anchored by an Armenian and a Turk - two cultures that share a painful history.



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Ana Kasparian host of The Young Turks Network.

Tune in to this episode of the *Forbes Under 30* podcast, to hear about Kasparian’s career path, her politics and living regret-free despite expressing hard-hitting opinions that can offend.

P.S. The term "young Turks" originated in the 19th century and has evolved to mean someone who rebels against authority.



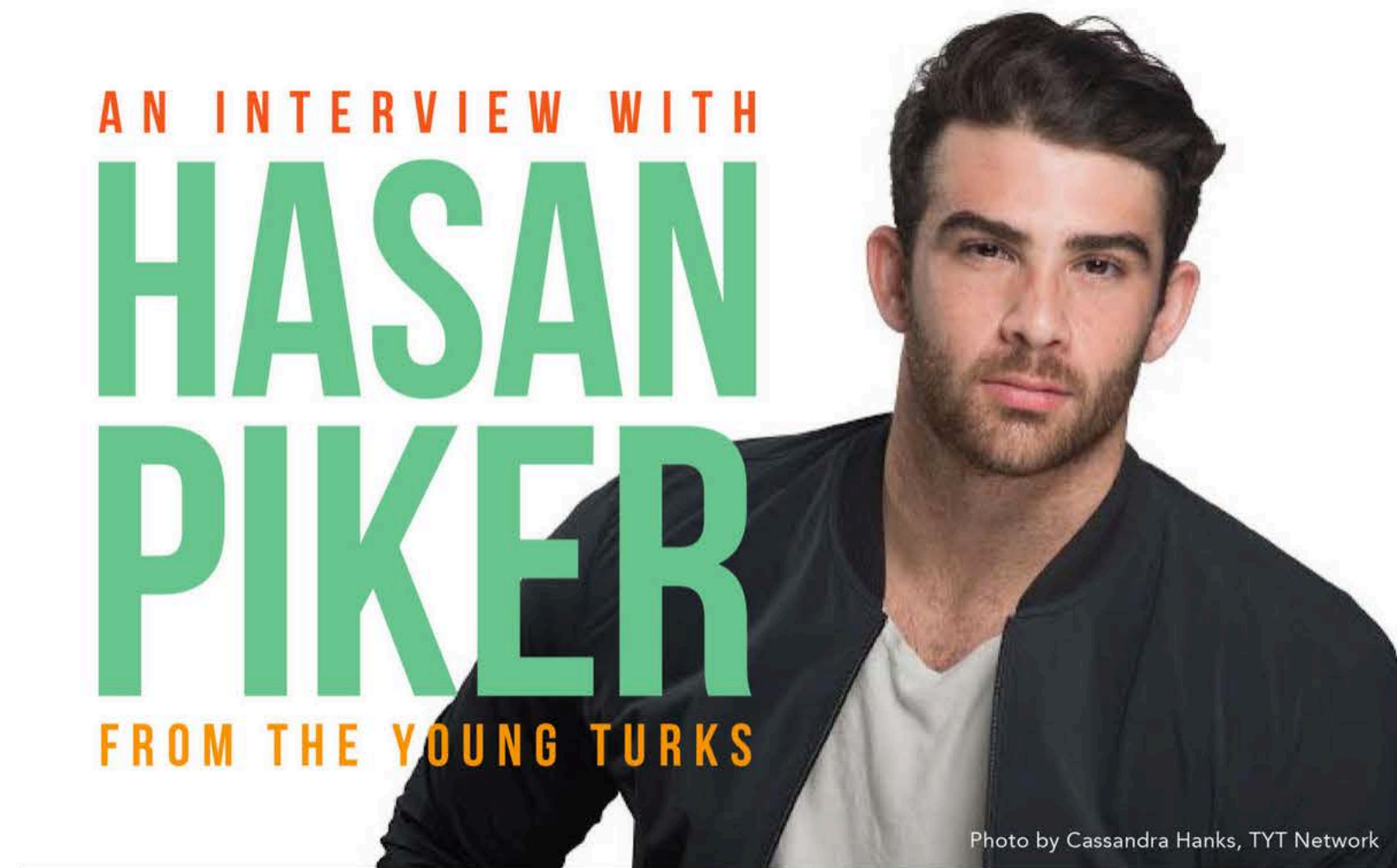
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via Cassandra Hanks, TYT Network

If you use social media with even a little frequency, you’ve likely seen videos made by Tomi Lahren at TheBlaze, and if so, it’s just as likely that you’ve seen the rebuttal videos made by Hasan Piker of The Young Turks. Piker’s videos gained notoriety once he began responding to many of the controversial and inflammatory claims made by Lahren in her videos. Last week, three Loyolan staff members — Madeline Mary, Samantha Davis and Matt Gaydos — sat down with Hasan Piker to talk about his personal background, his back and forth with Tomi Lahren, millennials and the current political climate.

Madeline Mary: To start off, how did you get to where you are now?

I come from a background that’s super political. I grew up in Turkey. The number one thing you discuss in Western culture is politics... and then football right after. It’s very similar [in Turkey] but soccer instead. Turkey is very political so I was very familiar with that. I was a political science major in college. Unlike many college graduates, I was able to apply what I learned in college to my actual job.

MM: Aside from growing up with it, why else are you passionate about politics?

I think it has a very significant effect on everybody’s lives. Yet, people are just completely unaware of it. People experience frustration and don’t know why they feel the way they do, even college students who are about to graduate. I feel scared about the future and have an uncertainty about where they’re going to work. That’s the result of years

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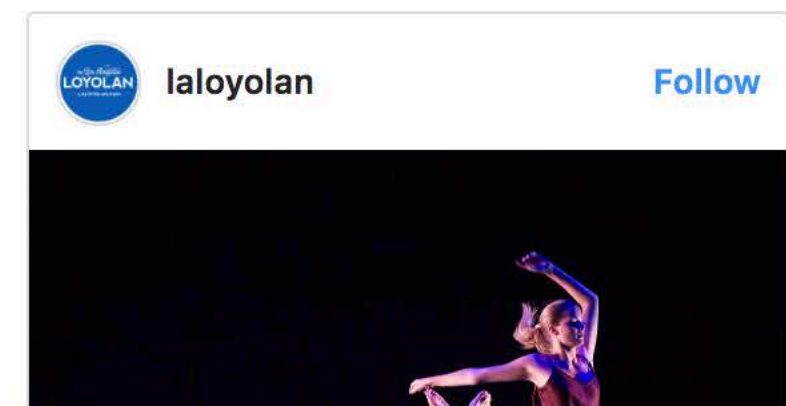
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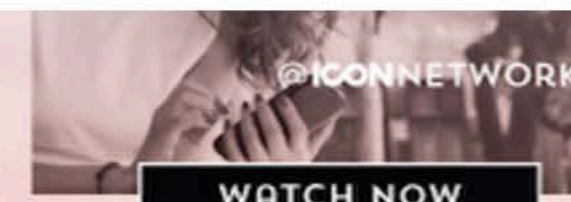
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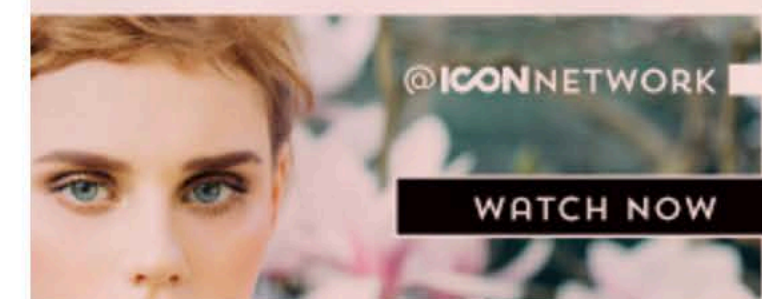


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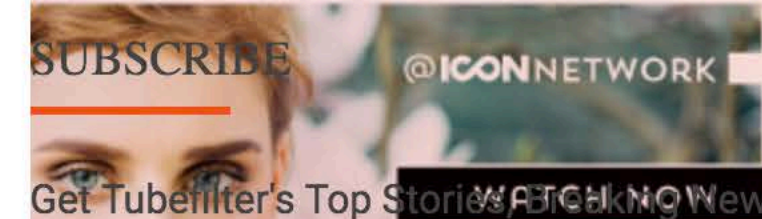
On November 8th, the United States turned its eyes to the results of the 2016 presidential election, and one place where its citizens tuned in for their political coverage was [The Young Turks](#). The progressive-leaning news channel had a big night; across three separate live streams — one each on YouTube, Facebook, and Twitter — it drew more than 4.5 million total hits, smashing its own viewership record.

The bulk of The Young Turks' viewership came on YouTube, where its hosts, including [Cenk Uygur](#) and [Ana Kasparian](#), led a 12-hour broadcast that broke down the election results. At its peak viewership, The Young Turks' YouTube stream counted 132,979 concurrent viewers. While that is a smaller figure compared to [what YouTube drew](#) during the three presidential debates, it is the biggest audience ever for a Young Turks stream, eclipsing the 72,635 viewers the news channel drew for its [March 2016 interview with progressive presidential candidate Bernie Sanders](#). The viewers who tuned into The Young Turks stuck around, too, with the average watch time coming in just under 20 minutes per user.

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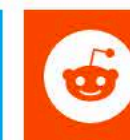
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The Young Turks Hires Ex-Fullscreen Exec Chris Puckett to Head Sales (Exclusive)



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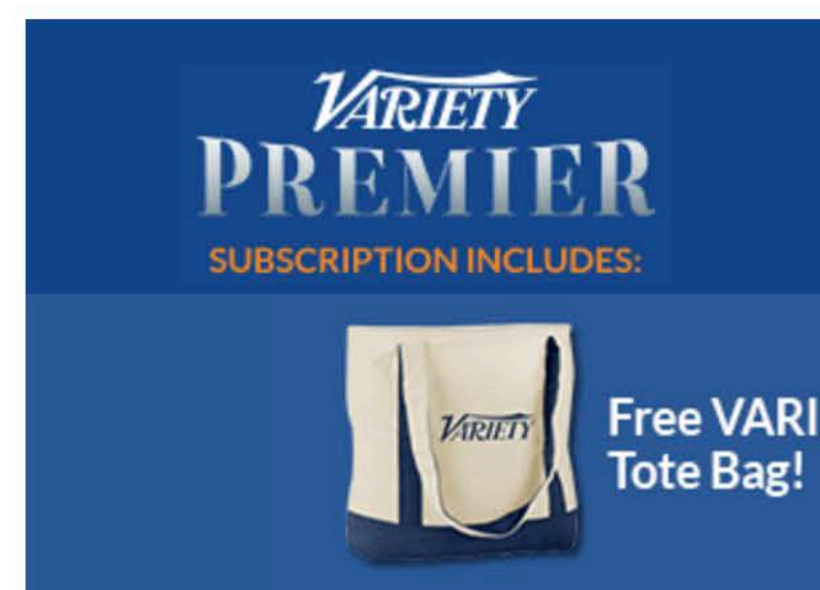
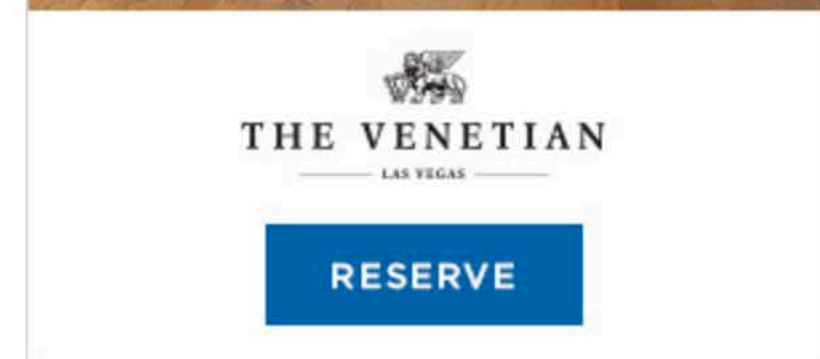
The Young Turks Network has recruited Chris Puckett, formerly of BuzzFeed and Fullscreen, as the first advertising sales executive in the news-focused digital media company's 10-year-plus history.

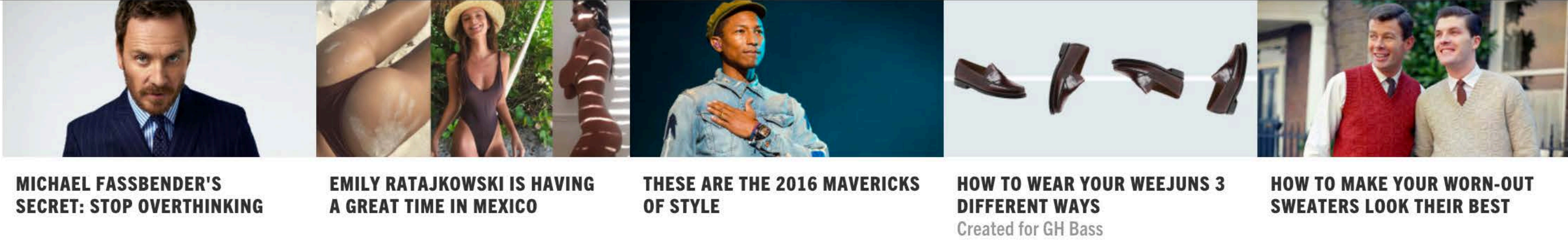
Puckett started at TYT on Jan. 4 as VP of advertising and brand partnerships, based in New York. He reports to The Young Turks chief marketing officer Praveen Singh.

Most recently, Puckett was Fullscreen's East Coast director of brand partnerships and sales, working with clients including Mondelez, Pepsi, American Express, Warner Bros. and Dell. Previously, he was head of sales at BuzzFeed, where he was also the first salesperson hired by the company. Puckett also has worked in sales at Facebook and Google.

"We've been focused for years on building audience and content, but we haven't really focused on ad sales — we've let YouTube do the heavy lifting," TYT Network COO Steve Oh said. "We think Chris is the right guy... He knows how to sell content that is broad and sometimes edgy."

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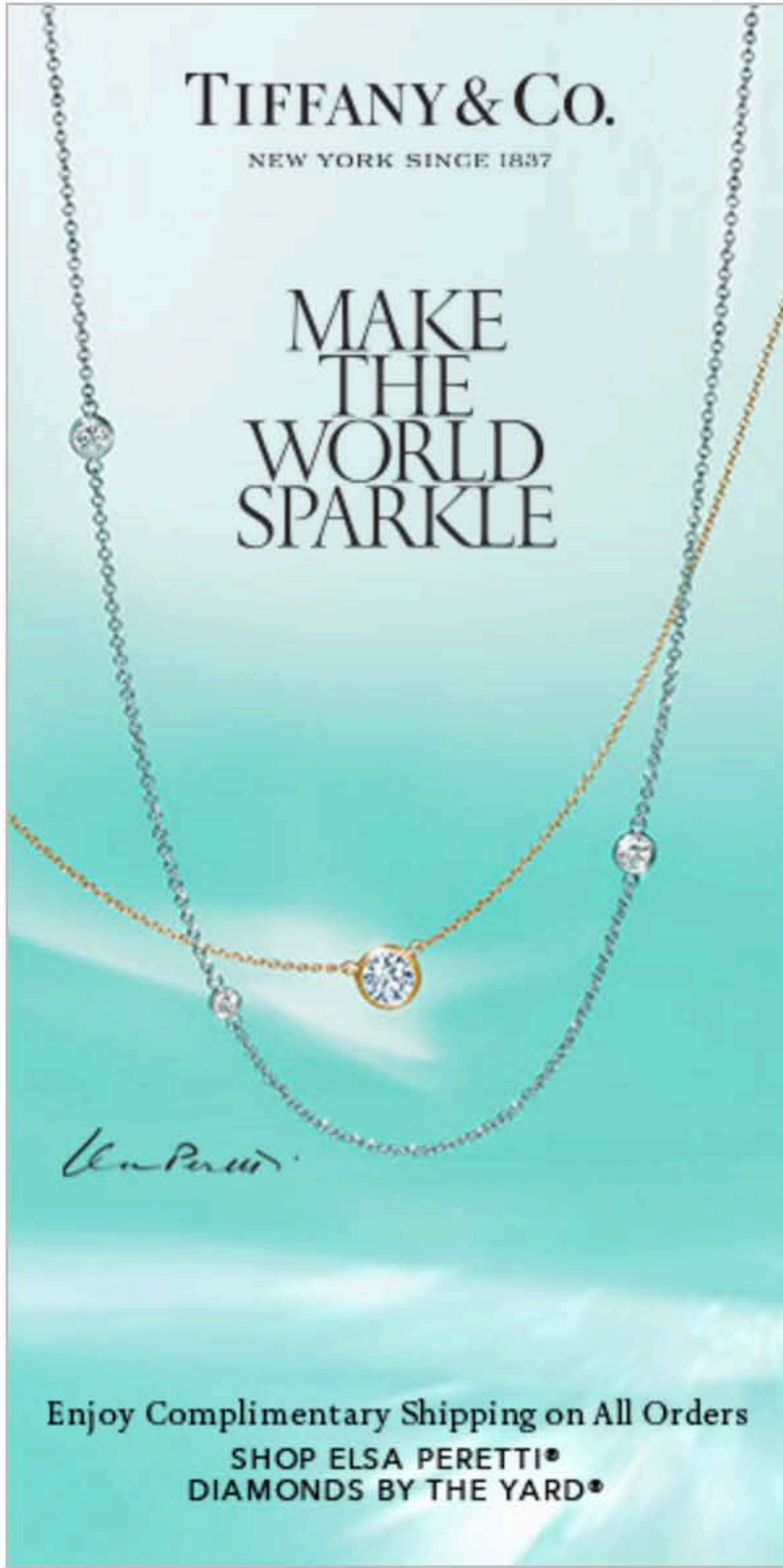
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In an age of disruption and constant flux, it still pays to be the first. Just ask The Young Turks crew and host-C.E.O. Cenk Uygur, who mastered Internet TV while Netflix was still mailing people DVDs. Now, as cable subscriptions flatline and the median age of a Fox News viewer is 68, Uygur's brainchild—which began in his Los Angeles apartment and broke through as a late-2000s YouTube phenomenon—is positioned for what he calls "world domination." The TYT network garners 80 million unique views every month across its various channels, and is the number one online network for the 18-34 demographic. The flagship program is the largest online news show in the world. They're closing fast on CNN in the overall standings, too—something Uygur won't hesitate to tell you.

That's what he did when we met at a midtown hotel bar earlier this month. We also had plenty of time for the 2016 election, which the Turkish-American host—who was also the subject of [a 2014 documentary](#)—sees as a battle between an establishmentarian advocate of the status quo and a



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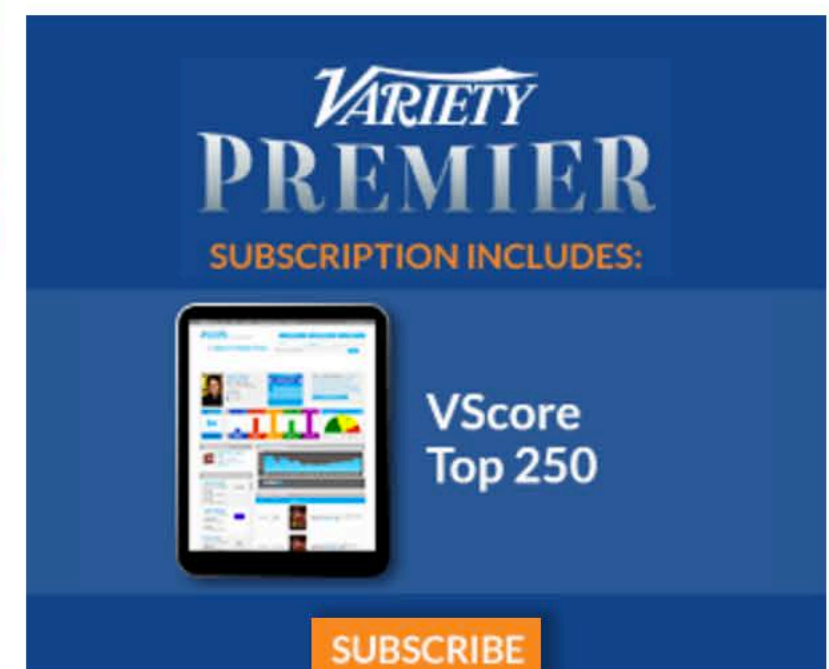
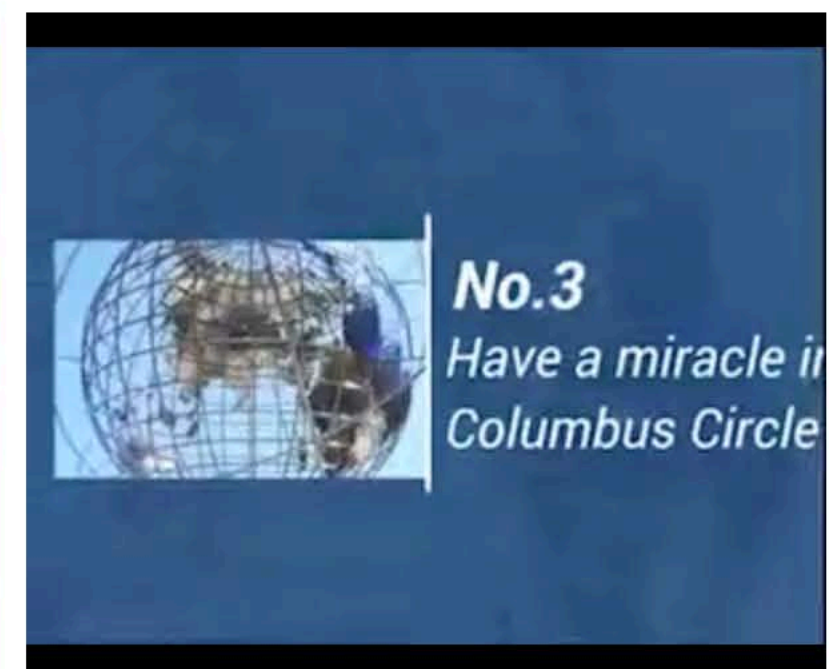
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The [Young Turks](#) are coming to [Fusion](#).

The millennial-focused network, owned by Univision, said it would launch a 12-week series of one-hour episodes featuring members of "The Young Turks," a collective of personalities who take a progressive/liberal view of news events and host a spate of streaming-video political programs. In tandem with a group of Fusion reporters, the Turks will travel to college campuses around the country to explore issues of importance to younger voters during key weeks of the current Presidential campaign.

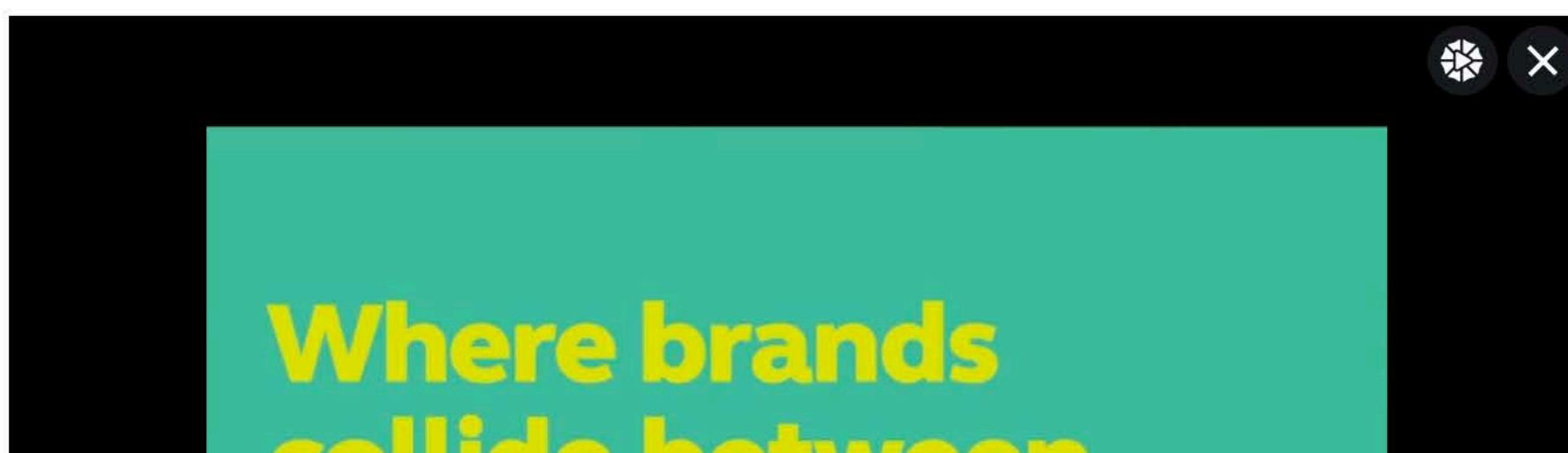
The show will kick off the week of September 5 and will run on cable as well as the company's digital properties.



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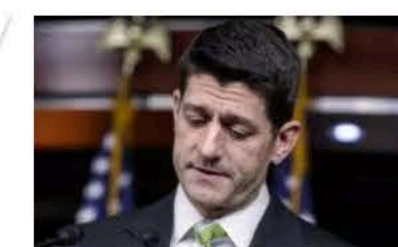
Digital news and pop-culture network [the Young Turks](#) has named [Jonathan Larsen](#), formerly with Al Jazeera America, as its first managing editor and has tapped Dylan Ratigan and David Sirota as news commentators.

The trio are joining TYT Network under its crowdfunding campaign launched in December to hire reporters and commentators, which has raised [\\$1.5 million of its \\$2 million goal](#) from nearly 45,000 contributors to date.

Larsen (pictured, above) most recently was senior executive producer for politics at Al Jazeera America. In the newly created role of managing editor, he will oversee editorial and programming direction for TYT's investigative journalists and commentators. Prior to Al Jazeera, Larsen was a producer with MSNBC's "Countdown with Keith Olbermann," Comedy Central's "The Daily Show with Jon Stewart," "ABC World News Now" and CNN's "Anderson Cooper 360." He also was co-

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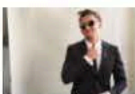



By Geoff Weiss On March 3, 2017

TYT Network, the progressive digital news network behind flagship show *The Young Turks*, announced today a staggering milestone: its shows have been viewed 6 billion times since the company’s online launch in 2005.

Perhaps more impressive is the pace at which this figure has been reached. Between 2007 and 2012, for instance, the network accumulated 2 billion views. But in the era of **President Donald Trump**, TYT Network clocked 2 billion views in 2016 alone. The company says it had more online views than **CNN**, **MSNBC**, and **Fox** last month, citing figures from **comScore**, and more unique viewers than all of those networks combined among audiences aged 13 to 24. Across all social platforms, TYT Network says it amasses more than 200 million views per month.

At the same time, The Young Turks announced that it will stream its **TYT Live** series on web-based TV platform **Pluto TV** beginning today. Broadcasting weekdays from 6-8pm ET, the show features hosts **Cenk Uygur** and **Ana Kasparian**

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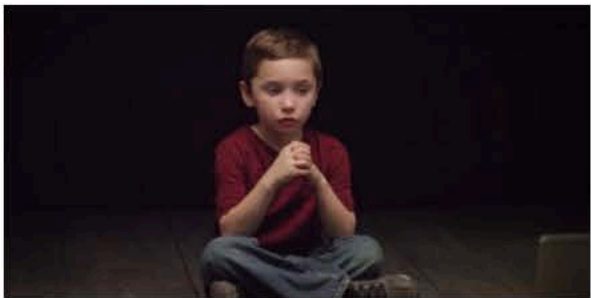
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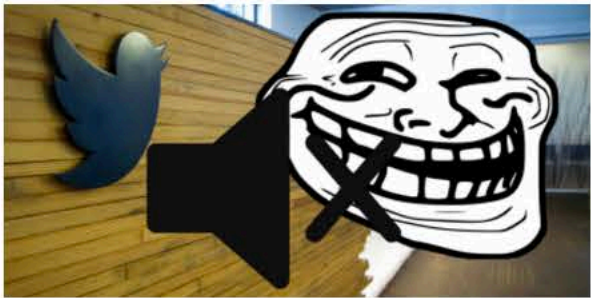
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Cenk Uygur and The Young Turks last had a linear TV presence in 2013, but since then, the team has built an even bigger digital following: TYT videos draw 200 million views a month and have more than 3 billion total views across the TYT YouTube and Facebook pages.

But with a historic election upon us, TYT is returning to TV, announcing yesterday with Fusion that ‘The Young Turks on Fusion’ will debut a weekly, hour-long show on college campuses beginning on September 12.

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Alumna Ana Kasparian is the co-host for the political show The Young Turks, and was recently named one of Forbes' 30 under 30 people in media. Photo courtesy Ana Kasparian.

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List Criteria: Cenk names the possible VP picks for Clinton, based on hope, reality, and political messaging.

Even with Bernie Sanders losing the Democratic nomination to Hillary Clinton, Cenk Uygur has a few more things to say to Hillary Clinton. If she wants to rally the progressive arm of the Democratic Party around her. The *Young Turks* founder came up with his five choices of vice presidential nominees for Secretary Clinton, explaining how each potential [running mates](#) would reflect the message Clinton wants to send to the electorate.

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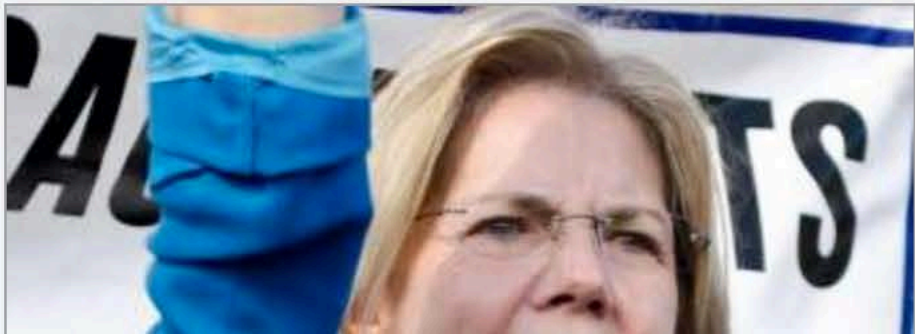
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If she had any sense at all, she'd pick Warren. It's a no-brainer and a layup. That's why Hillary Clinton won't pick her. Wall Street wouldn't like her either. Plus, like Trump, Clinton has a huge ego and Warren is a star, so I'd be surprised if she picked another star.

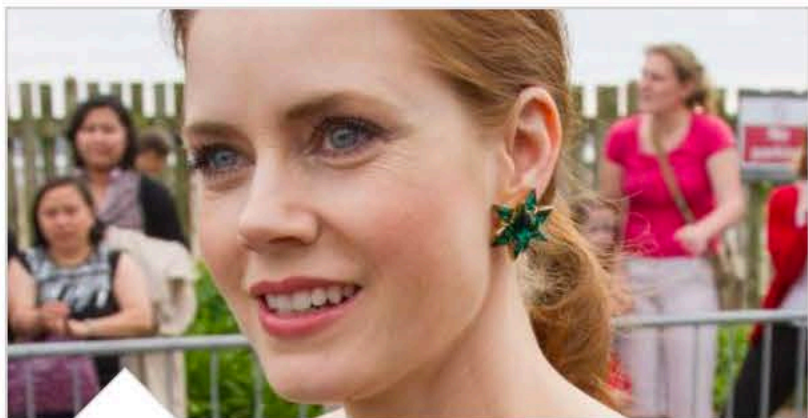


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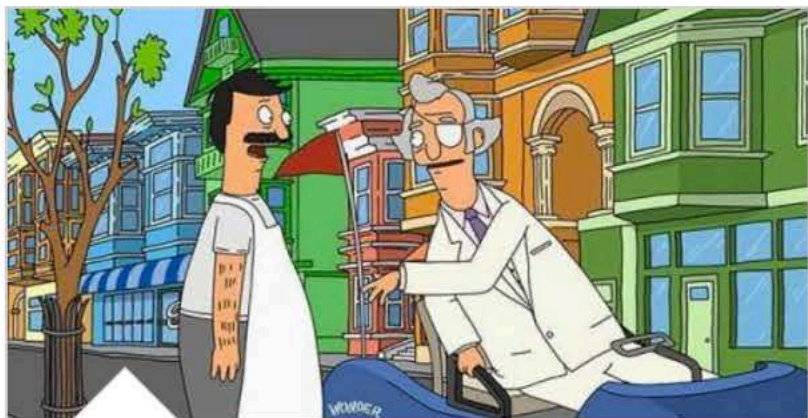
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Since beginning her role with TYT as a fill-in producer in 2007, Ana Kasparian has continually climbed through the ranks, eventually culminating in her position today as co-host.

Additionally, she served as producer and contributor for the Current TV show.

During her tenure, the show has been honored for a variety of different accolades including the 2011 People's Voice Webby Award for "Best News & Political Series" as well as the 2009 "Best Political News Site" award.

She's a professor of journalism at California State University of Northridge, and is also a frequent contributor on Pivot's Take Part Live. In 2015, Kasparian was included in **Forbes 30-under-30** list.

Ana Kasparian From 'The Young Turks' Says Her Feminism Means Wearing Heels Whenever The Hell She Wants



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Ana Kasparian, co-host of progressive political talk show *The Young Turks*, has dealt with her fair share of sexism. Last year, right-wing Pastor James David Manning, who has appeared on the show a few times, responded to Kasparian calling him ignorant about his views on same-sex marriage by saying that her only contribution to the show was "her boobs and not her brains." [Kasparian, who definitely calls herself a feminist](#), had quite the response for him.

[Kasparian educated Manning](#) in a short video for another show Kasparian hosts called *The Point*. She said she grew up as the child of two immigrants — her mother is Armenian and her father is Syrian — and received her master's degree in political science by age 22. "Now, Pastor Manning, I hope I led you not into temptation," Kasparian jokes in the episode of *The Point* where she addresses him. "But apparently you really enjoy my magnificent breasts, because you keep mentioning them over and over again in that clip



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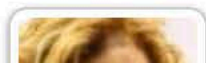
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Cenk Uygur (host of The Young Turks) interviews Emmy award-winning screenwriter, director, producer, comic book author, composer and super PAC creator Joss Whedon. Earlier this year Joss launched the Save the Day super PAC to apply his filmmaking talents to encouraging Americans to get out and vote, in particular to vote for Hillary Clinton. Save

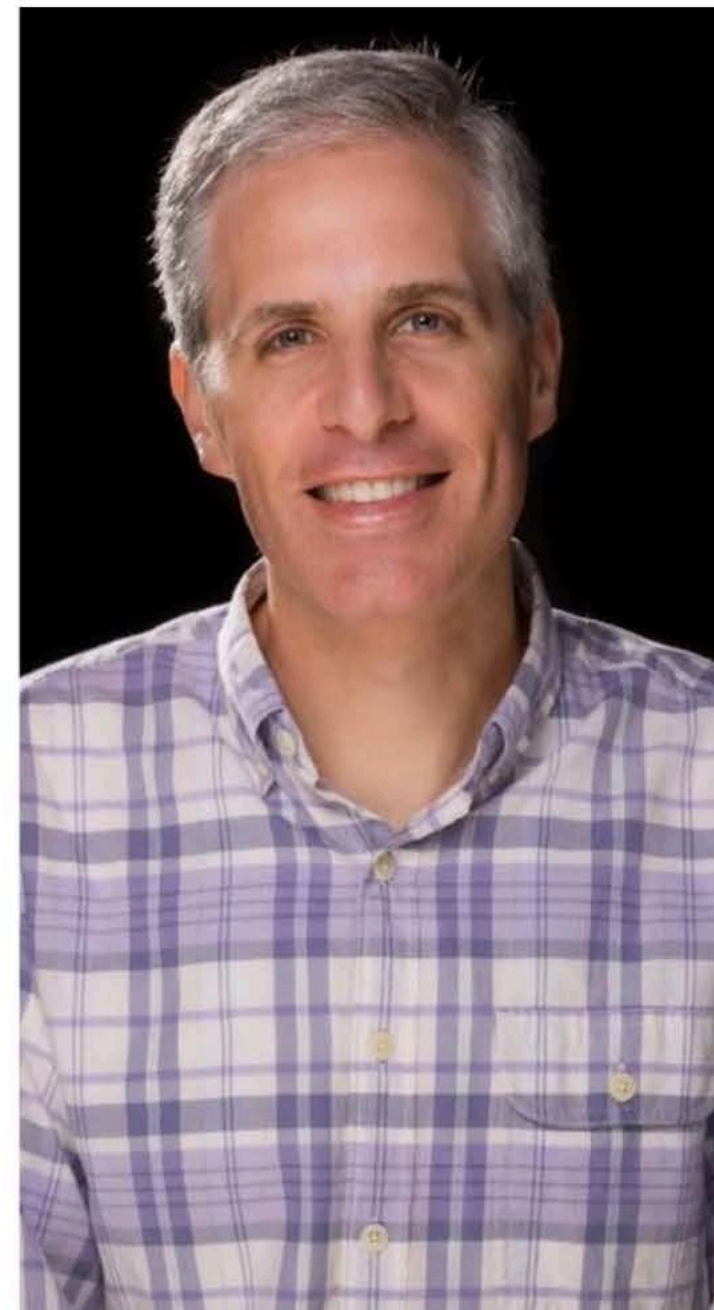
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The Young Turks Hires 3 New Staffers As Crowdfunding Campaign Hits \$1.5 Million



By Geoff Weiss On March 24, 2017

After launching a [crowdfunding campaign](#) last December to fund four new investigative teams, digital progressive news network **The Young Turks** (TYT) has announced three new hires in honor of [surpassing \\$1.5 million](#) of its \$2 million goal.

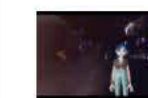
Jonathan Larsen (above l.), who previously served as the senior executive producer of politics for *Al Jazeera America*, has been named managing editor of TYT — a newly created role. Additionally, former **MSNBC** host **Dylan Ratigan** (c.) and **David Sirota** (above r.), an investigative editor for the *International Business Times* — and who will remain on staff there — have been tapped as news commentators for TYT.

In his role as managing editor, Larsen will oversee all editorial and programming for investigative journalists and commentators. He previously produced *Countdown With Keith Olbermann*, *The Daily Show With Jon Stewart*, *ABC World News Now*, and *Anderson Cooper 360*. Ratigan is a sustainability entrepreneur who resigned from MSNBC in 2012, and Sirota's work has also appeared in *The New York Times Magazine*, *Wired*, *Vice*, and **CNN**.

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THE man in his twenties who is addressing the camera is insistent if not forceful. The US media’s responsibility, he tells Americans in his latest must-see video, is to tell them what their government is doing in their name – not to hang onto every tweet issued by an attention-seeking narcissist.

No prizes for guessing that the narcissist in question is Donald Trump. But the young man’s accent is noticeably West of Scotland. He is, moreover, rather stylish, cream-coloured jacket, bow-tie, spotted handkerchief in his breast pocket. What is going on?



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Toolbox

"The Young Turks" opts for Telestream's Vantage Media Processing Platform



"The Young Turks"

NEVADA CITY, CALIF. -- Telestream®, a provider of digital media tools and workflow solutions, announced that *The Young Turks* (TYT) is using Telestream’s Vantage Media Processing Platform to automate high-volume editing, transcoding and distribution of its programming, as well as publishing content to social media outlets.

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Roku, and many more platforms.

The flagship news show *The Young Turks*—co-hosted by *The Young Turks* founder and CEO Cenk Uygur and Ana Kasparian—consistently ranks No. 1 among comScore rankings. As a pioneer of subscription-based membership, TYT Network currently provides special, exclusive content on TYTNetwork.com to its vast membership.

“Our goal is to continue expanding the scope of our programming and distribution channels, as well as finding more effective ways to monetize it. To accomplish this, we needed to stop relying on a hodge-podge of generic automation software that posed multiple points of failure across our system. We switched to Vantage because it’s purpose-built to support the needs of a high throughput media processing operation like ours,” explained Jonny Greenwald, post-production technical director for TYT Network.

Since this high-volume content must be edited, branded, and transcoded into numerous iterations for multi-platform distribution, TYT Network decided to migrate its operations to an automated, file-based workflow based on the Vantage Media Processing Platform from Telestream.

As part of its intensive, round-the-clock media operation, *The Young Turks*’ live two-hour newscast must be subsequently chunked and repackaged into video segments of varying lengths for on-demand viewing. Ten clips can easily become 30 clips with all the formats, versions and derivatives needed by their distribution platforms, which today include YouTube, Facebook, Twitter, Vimeo, Roku, Pluto.tv, Hulu and Amazon. The same goes for the network’s numerous specialty channels, including sports, movies, technology, and pop culture, which must also be segmented into a variety of iterations and formats for on-demand viewing across the multiplatform ecosystem.

“Since this workflow largely involves repetitive tasks—such as editing, transcoding, branding, and conforming—it lends itself very easily to template-driven automation. Vantage puts all the tools and processes we need into one cohesive automated workflow that doesn’t require any manual oversight or intervention. Once we tell Vantage where a media file needs to go—whether it’s to YouTube, Facebook, Hulu or some other platform—it picks up the file, and conforms it to the specifications required for that destination, and sends it out with uncompromised quality,” said Greenwald.

Since the Vantage platform consists of a family of products and options, Greenwald has tailored the workflow using the following:


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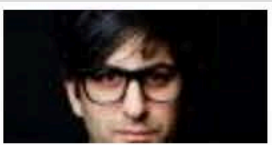
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- ☐ Yes. This will facilitate targeted advertising, enabling marketers to better connect with interested customers.
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The flagship news show *The Young Turks*—co-hosted by *The Young Turks*

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The political team over at Young Turks isn't fond of Trump, even imposing a ban on coverage early in his campaign. Back on Aug. 10, Uygun observed that Trump was only running for publicity to help build his name and put it on more buildings.

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OBJECTIVE

The Young Turks is the flagship show of TYT Network and is the largest online news show in the world. It started as a talk show on Sirius satellite radio in 2002 and transitioned to YouTube in 2005, where it has amassed 3 million subscribers and over 3 billion total views. The show is LIVE on weekdays from 6pm-8pm ET and is hosted by Cenk Uygur and Ana Kasparian.

The Young Turks takes pride in speaking truth to power in the way they deliver the news. As an independent news show, TYT covers the issues that everyday Americans care about and are not dictated by outside influences. Rather, their storytelling is made possible through the enthusiastic support of their 'TYT Army.' TYT combines all the news people care about in one place - constantly challenging the status quo, holding the government accountable, and empowering individuals with the tools they need to make a difference.

STRATEGY

On [election night](#), TYT crushed their live viewing record with over a millions hours of view time watched in one day. Prior to election day, TYT provided 100 reasons to not vote for Donald Trump through a segment called, "[Loser Donald](#)." TYT was also on the ground for all the debates and spoke with campaign representatives from both Trump and Clinton campaigns.

Aside from its election coverage, TYT also investigated and followed-up on reports of a pipeline being constructed on sacred grounds in North Dakota. TYT reporter, Jordan Chariton, was on the scene to witness numerous instances of water protectors being [abused by the police](#). He also received [exclusive drone footage](#) that showed the pipeline nearly completed, within half a mile of the Missouri River.

The Young Turks is able to reach millions of Americans through its live, daily news show, covering the stories the mainstream media often misses. Through the hashtag, '#tytlive,' audience members are able to engage with the hosts, offering their own commentary to the stories being covered. Clips of the show are made available directly after it ends. On weekends, or when there's breaking news, hosts provide their commentary using YouTube Live.

RESULTS

With the reality of a Trump administration looming, The Young Turks has started a campaign to hire new investigative teams to keep Donald Trump, the establishment, and elected officials accountable. With [\\$500 000 raised](#), TYT hired Nomiki Konst as its

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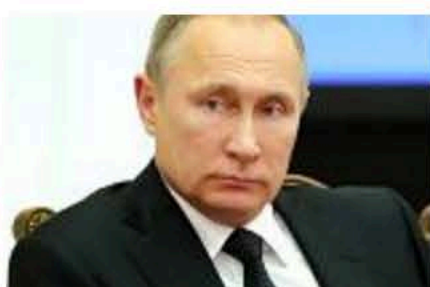

Jordan Chariton

Political reporter for The Young Turks

Jordan Chariton is a political reporter for [The Young Turks](#), a digital news network. He can be seen on [TYT Politics](#). Before TYT, Jordan was a reporter for TheWrap and TVNewser.

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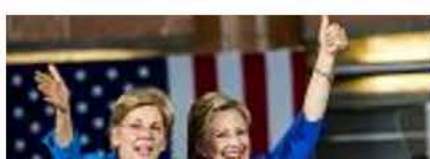
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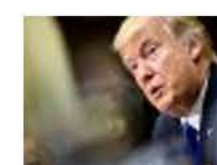
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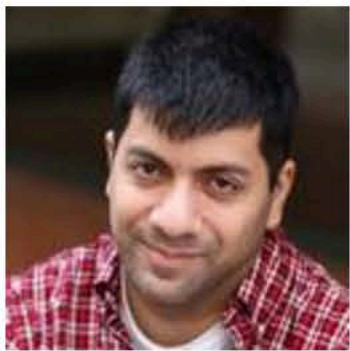
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The Young Turks Grace Baldridge talks about co-hosting Pop Trigger, creating Murder with Friends, and LGBT issues in the mainstream media. The Belgium native also discusses a typical day on the set of Pop Trigger.

Pop Trigger is a very popular show on the The Young Turks, network that mixes entertainment and, political topics. Can you tell us how you became one of the co-hosts?

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Meet Tomi Lahren’s nemesis: A ginger Scotsman called Francis Maxwell

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‘I don’t play by the same rules that everyone likes to categorize liberals by’

Progressive media has a new poster boy and his name is Francis Maxwell. He’s a talking head on The Young Turks, the biggest news show on the internet, and has a bloodthirsty vendetta against his opposite number, Tomi Lahren.

So who is he, other than his well-known passion for suits and his enormous ginger quiff? We spoke to him to find out more.



You only graduated around two years ago – how did you get your big break?

It’s a funny, right place at the right time story. I was about to graduate college in 2014, and I was a major in political science, but I have a background in soccer. I came to America to pursue a soccer scholarship. For some reason I stumbled across this site called The Young Turks – they were looking for a social media advisor. I was looking for a job to keep me in the country for my visa. I was very under-qualified, they

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Do you see yourself as Tomi Lahren’s opposite number? Maybe even a Tomi Lahren of the left?

I feel like there’s no place for those outlandish claims, on the left or the right. I see myself as a specific type of progressive in this country. Because often progressives are supposed to look at things from a more rational point of view. and they’re intolerant to name-calling and everyone gets caught up in this PC culture, whereas I don’t care if someone calls me names. Obviously I’m not going to look out to deliberately be derogatory to someone. But I’ve also got Scottish thick skin and I can handle if someone calls me names. So if I call Tomi Lahren “the peroxide princess,” and people take that as me talking to her in a way that’s awful, I think that’s ridiculous. This is someone who ripped apart Chelsea Manning based on her gender. She was being insensitive to the LGBT community, so I’m not going to walk on eggshells by labeling her what she is.

I like to consider myself a more vocal, less rational Glenn Greenwald. I don’t play by the same set of rules that everyone likes to categorize liberals by in this country. If someone calls me a name, I’m not going to take that to heart. I need to call a bigot for a bigot. I’m not going to deny them the oxygen by simply not saying anything, I feel that you need to stand up. In a way people on the right often do more so. You have a lot of vocal conservatives who have gained popularity from being outlandish, and I think there’s an audience out there looking for that on the left as well. People are sick of looking on the sidelines and complaining about PC culture while people on the right are quick to gain momentum by being more relatable.



How are you getting on as a Scot in California, what do you miss about home?

I definitely miss a Scottish breakfast. You can’t get it as often, so I miss

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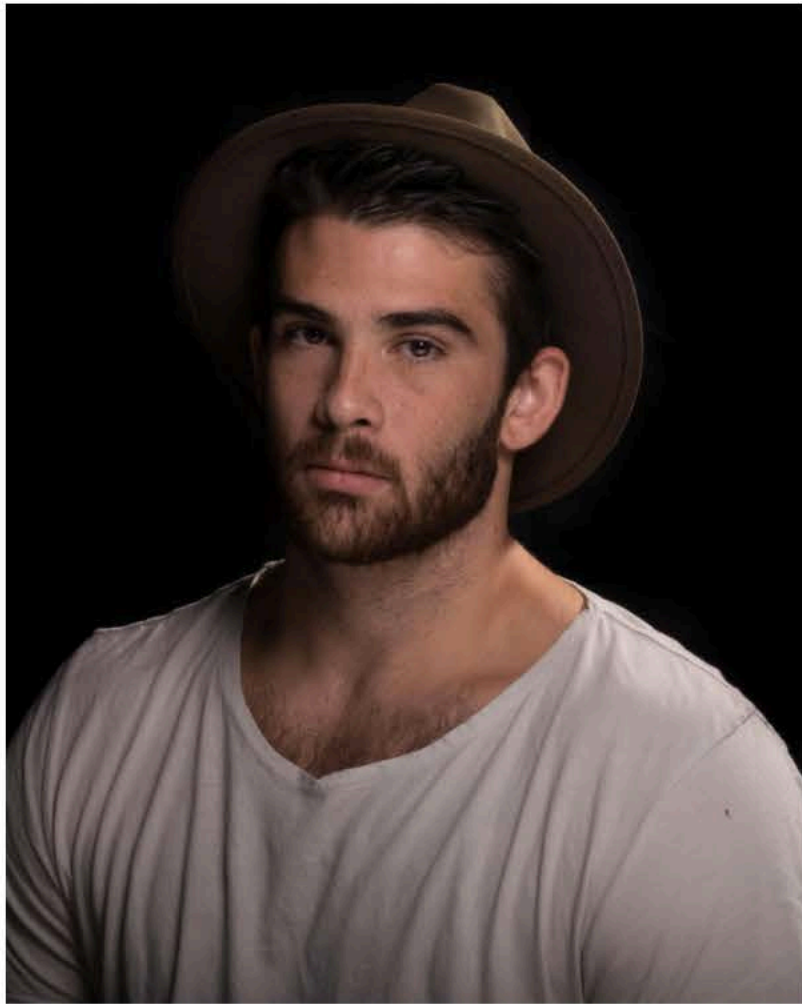


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In an interview with The Tab, Hasan Piker explains the power young people have in Trump’s America

Depending on how you measure it, Hasan Piker could be one of the biggest commentators in American politics. The Young Turks’ dashing hotshot averages millions of views just on his Facebook page, and he has hundreds of thousands of adoring fans. Meet the hottest name in progressive media.



Hasan Piker

So what have you been up to recently?

Oh you know, just fighting a possibly authoritarian government, one day at a time. Trying to combat racism every which way I can. How about yourself?

All good thanks. You’ve spoken a lot about millennials being lazy and entitled. How can they resist the Trump administration?

I think young people are already resisting the Trump administration. If you look at the demographic makeup of who and how people voted for Donald Trump, you’ll see that millennials voted heavily in favor of the Democratic Party and Hillary Clinton. And I separate those two because there were a lot of progressive millennials that were Berniecrats. Bernie Sanders motivated a lot of youth to come out of the woodwork and that was incredible and revolutionary. And then a lot of millennials still voted heavily in favor of the Democratic Party. And now we’re taking it to the streets. Any time there’s a controversial executive order, we resist. You see it’s leaving its mark, when the Donald Trump administration will take back certain parts of their executive orders. This is somewhat

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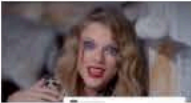
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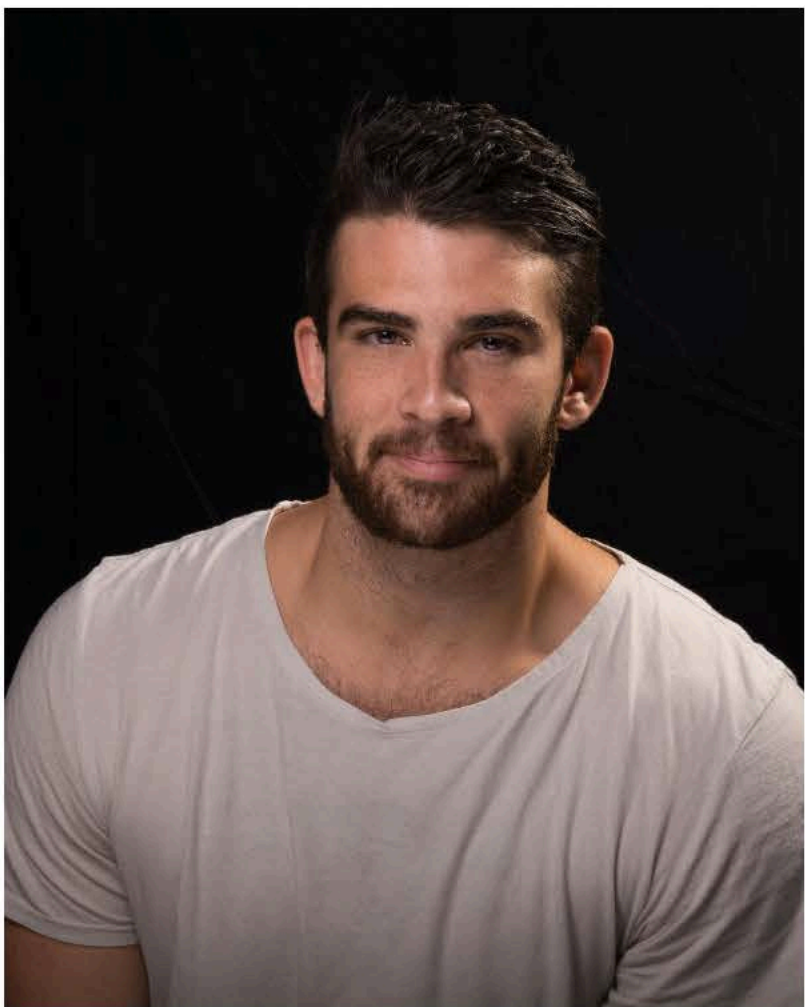


QUIZ: Can we guess your aesthetic in just ten questions?



extremely conservative, and you're talking about the social justice warrior left, which is extremely progressive. And both sides are doing the exact same thing – pointing the finger at the most extreme liberal, for example within the right, and saying: "Look! This is representative of all the things liberals represent." They don't care about the fact there's income inequality, or that I'm poor and I don't have access to affordable healthcare, they only care about the 39 different gender pronouns assigned to each individual sexual identity.

And that's an exaggeration but we do the exact same thing on the left. We point the finger at the alt-right and say every conservative is racist, everyone that voted for Donald Trump is racist. That's just not true. Everyone that voted for Donald Trump isn't racist.



And do you get sent a lot of unprintable fan messages?

Absolutely. It's funny because I was talking to a friend about this. Recently I more than tripled my Instagram growth in a very short period of time. And in that period, almost every single person that followed me would accompany that with a DM. And usually it's something like: "Oh, Tomi won't DM you but I will." Or the most frequent one is "daddy", "slay me," and there are some very creative ones as well. Yes, for the most part it's unprintable, specifically the nudes that I get.

So on my Snapchat, I experienced an influx of nude photos being sent to me. And I was confused, so I addressed it on my Snapchat story and it turns out there are entire Facebook groups dedicated to sending me nude photographs, and they talk about it. Thousands of people are talking to one another about sending me nudes, which is flattering. It's an interesting use of people's time, but whatever.



What's the most creative message you've received?

I'm looking through them as we speak. I should have something good for this, for whenever people ask. There's a lot of praise or people thanking me for sticking up for them, which is great. I really love those, I really appreciate them. A really funny one I got recently sent. This girl asked me to go to prom with her. I didn't respond, obviously I'm not going to because she's 17-years-old, I think.

He reads the message:

"Hey Hasan, I got rejected from prom by this kid I liked for three years because he knows he will be able to get it in with her [her being the senior]. Wow. At least he is honest. You should go to prom with me because we will be poppin' at prom and just look great and that's the kind of revenge I need. Please respond before May. Thanks!"

Take her to prom!

I'm assuming because it's high school prom, she's underage. I would probably not do that.