

EVENT PLANNING CHECKLIST

4 WEEKS TO EVENT

Development				
	Determine event goals and target audience			
0	Brainstorm guest panelists and moderator			
_	Brainstorm promotional and co-presenting partners			

Pre-Production

Contact panelists, moderators and promotional partners to confirm participation

3 WEEKS TO EVENT

Set date and time of event

Pre-Production					
_	Finalize panelists, moderators and promotional partners.				
	Finalize all screening content: Make sure content is uploaded to COVE, Vimeo or YouTube (unlisted or public)				
	Create screening preview and intro (optional, but highly suggested): Preview Card - 10-minutes of image/text/music preview for early arrivals (660x370p) Usable Sample: https://youtu.be/IbmPPxaOKBQ				
	<u>Intro</u> - 15 second text or live-action intro to the event <u>Usable Sample: https://youtu.be/GIK0k-v5PQo</u>				
	Upload original preview card and intro to YouTube (unlisted or public)				

Pre-Production Con't

- Create all assets:
 - **1.** Complete list of all YouTube (URL's), Vimeo and PBS content for screening including intro
 - 2. Complete list of polls or announcements to take place during event
 - 3. Cover image for screening room (for all OVEE generated emails and promotion)
 - 4. Square (64x64) photograph of each panelist and moderator
 - 5. Panelist and Moderator NAMES, EMAILS, PHOTOS, BIOS and WEBSITES
 - **6.** Screening Welcome Message/Description
 - 7. Intro Images sizes: Must be less than 200KB in size, and 510x286 in dimension to avoid pixelation
 - **8.** Info for Marquee:
 - a. Active button text and link
 - b. Partner logo and URL: If you have more than one partner please combine all logos into one image before sending.
- Create screening in OVEE

Promotion

- Once screening link is created make promotional materials:
 - 1. Email blasts w/ image
 - 2. Facebook & Twitter language
 - 3. Any other promotional images/materials you'd like
- Share all promotional materials with Partners, Panelists & Moderators. Encourage them to send email blast to their list and promote on social media/websites.

2 WEEKS TO EVENT

Promotion

- Post event link and promotional materials to various websites, online calendars and social media
- Send email blast to lists
- Prepare & finalize questions for panelists and discussion prompts for audience,
 resource links and on-the-fly polls for event
- Schedule & create two test screenings:
 - 1. Test screening for the organization only FIRST
 - 2. Test screening for the moderators AND panelists (this can be done 30 minutes before event if necessary).

Once the test screening dates are confirmed send confirmation email to panelists and moderators with link to the TEST OVEE Event.

Promotion Con't

If you are live streaming, conduct a live stream test so you are familiar with how the software works. You don't need access to OVEE for this test. Conduct test no earlier than a week out since GHOA releases frequent updates.

Streaming options:

1. GoogleHangout OnAir/YouTube Live:

https://support.google.com/plus/answer/2553119?hl=en

2. UStream (must have account):

 $\frac{http://info.ustream.tv/rs/239-SED-502/images/Getting\%20Started\%20With\%20Vide}{o\%20Streaming.pdf}$

3. Livestream

https://livestream.com/

1 WEEK TO EVENT

Promotion

Remind partners and panelists to send promotional email to their lists
Add event announcement to website, remind partners to do the same
Publish 'save the date' social media posts

Pre-Production

Conduct TEST screening.	
For the test: Have prepared questions for panelists, discussion prompts for audience, resource links & on-the-fly polls you may want to add during the event.	

WEEK OF EVENT

- □ Finalize Run of Show
- □ Send Run of Show script to ITVS & Panelists

Promotion

Publish social media posts

DAY OF EVENT

Pre-Production

 Moderator should have prepared questions for panelists, discussion prompts for audience, resource links & on-the-fly polls they may want to add during the event.

Promotion

- Promote heavily during the day and remind partners to do the same
- Send reminder email to list one hour before event (OVEE automatically sends only to those who have already RSVP'd)
- Post event to social media morning of event AND at start time.

DURING EVENT

Production

- Den the screening room 10 minutes before start time.
- Moderators and panelists should arrive to event 10 minutes before start time.
 "promote" designated moderators to moderator status via the chat box.
- Moderators hit start to begin previews/music
- During previews as people arrive moderators should:
- 1. Welcome audience in chat window.
 - 2. Let audience know the screening will begin shortly.
 - 3. Introduce Moderator and panelists and invite questions from the audience.
 - 4. Invite Attendees to share the event link on Facebook or Twitter.

	Once screening has begun: 1. Post any on-the-fly polls. 2. Pose questions to both panelists and audience.	
0	Live tweet quotes or facts from the OVEE event on twitter.	

Production

- When screening content has finished:
 - 1. Thank everyone for coming
 - 2. Encourage continued discussion
 - 3. Post resource links
 - 4. Hit END SCREENING after all discussion has ceased

AFTER EVENT

Post-Production

Send thank you notes to all panelists, moderators and partners