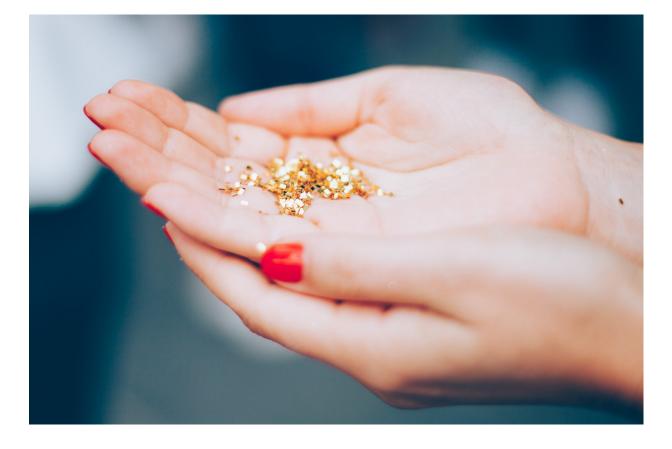


#### ~ quick tips for standing out



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#### Hey VideoStar (in-the-making)~

Thanks for signing up for this freebie! Let's dive in, shall we?

The internet has become such a noisy landscape. So how do you SHINE in your videos so that you can stand out from the crowd?

With video there are TWO core approaches:

1. What they NEED from you.

2. What you uniquely GIVE them.

## This isn't about "Look at me! Look at me!" It actually goes much deeper.

What's included in your worksheet:

Three short lessons and four quick exercises.

Let's DO this!

Dream up,

Sarah Michelle Brown Your Virtual Video Director

# LESSON ONE What THEY need

When you first start making videos, and you're freaking out about technology + content, know this:

Technology is the LEAST important part.

AND...

While content is important, there is something else that matters even more!

The real game changer is the ability to create a unique emotional EXPERIENCE for your audience.

Think about your favourite movies. Great films are about the **experience you have while watching them.** 

It's the same with making videos for your biz.

Your dream client wants to learn something, absolutely.

But they can get the same type of content from a bunch of different sources.

## What keeps her coming back is how she FEELS when she watches your videos.

The key to standing out from the (video) crowd is to tap into what your dream client **NEEDS at both the training level AND at a deeper level.** 

With video, it's not just about the KNOWLEDGE she craves.

It's truly about what she FEELS when she watches you.

Consider your dream client:

There's this gap between where she is and where she wants to be.

In that gap lies her frustration, her fears, her blocks, her insecurities, her lack of knowledge and her worry about accomplishing her goals.

ALSO in that gap lies her excitement, her motivations, her hopes and dreams for a better life.

At her core, your dream client is just a person.

And when she brushes up against the proverbial gaps in her life and biz, she also goes through those very human experiences.

# The GREAT news is that in that gap also lies your videos.

Okay, time for your FIRST exercise. Yahoo!

#### **EXERCISE ONE**

Using the list below as a guide, write down the top *painful* emotions your dream client experiences BEFORE working with you:

alarmed alone angry anxious apprehensive arrogance ashamed awkward blocked bored critical confused cvnical defeated despair desperate directionless disappointed

discontent distraugt distressed dread embarrassed enraged envious exasperation exposed fatigued fraudulent freaked out frustrated disappointed disgruntled disgusted disoriented distracted

greedy grief quilty harmful helpless hurt indifference injured insecure intimidated jealous lack lonely nervous overwhelmed pain panic paralyzed

pessimistic restlessness scattered self-pity scared sceptical silent sorrow stuck tense terrified trapped uncertain unfocused unstable worried



There is one thing that I want you to focus on giving during your early videos: ENERGY

When people first start making videos there's generally only ONE TYPE OF ENERGY that they tap into and it comes with a few different names:

FEAR NERVES ANXIETY INTIMIDATION AHHHHHHH

If you project a fearful energy in your videos **you actually dull your own shine**.

Compare that, to say, a **joyful energy**, a playful energy, a calming energy or a rebellious energy...

Big difference, right?

Well here's what you need to do in order to create videos that speak to what you uniquely have to give:

ALLOW the amazing energies that you NATURALLY have to SHINE through when you're in front of the camera.

While this is easier said than done, let's start you on the right path...

#### **EXERCISE TWO**

Using the list below as a guide, write down the amazing energies of your personality that you'd like to GIVE in your videos:

active adventurous articulate aspirational athletic awkward calming caring clever colourful compassionate confident conservative considerate contemplative cooperative courageous cultured creative decisive deep dramatic elegant

eloquence empathetic enthusiastic extroverted exuberant focused fun-loving friendly gentle aenuine good-natured hardworking holistic honest idealistic imaginative independent innovative intuitive introverted ioi de vivre kind liberal

logical loyal moderate nerdv objective observant outspoken patient perfectionist personable planner playful practical principled problem solver quirky realistic reliable resourceful rebellious romantic sage self-deprecating

secure sensitive serene serious sexv shrewd simple sociable sophisticated spontaneous strategic strong stylish sweet sympathetic trusting understanding warm wild child wise vouthful



## **EXERCISE THREE**

Using what you've learned, it's time to claim your *shining intention* for your videos.

Fill in the following:

My dream clients want to learn how to (your teachings):

So they no longer feel (their pain):

I stand apart from the crowd by allowing my (your energies):

to shine through in my videos!



Learning how to shine on-camera is primarily about TWO things:

#### PRACTICE + POSITIVITY

Making practice videos is KEY. Especially if you're super nervous.

Many entrepreneurs think that when they make a video, it's *always* for the PUBLIC.

Not true – In fact, your early, awkward videos should ONLY be for you and your trusted peeps. A.K.A. supportive, private communities.

Also, any feedback you *do* get should be in the form of positive cheerleading in that safe space.

## Your FIRST video steps should all be about encouraging your FIRST video steps.

(Yep, "FIRST" was **doubled** for a reason):

When it comes to video, people tend to be extra precious.

Critique at this delicate stage only encourages your mind to decide that you can't do this (so you'll quit **before you actually discover your own BRILLIANCE.)** 

# But once you get past your early fears you REALLY start to SHINE in your videos!

## EXERCISE FOUR (it's interactive!)

#### This one is simple + powerful.

**Starting your video adventures can be the hardest step** to being able to truly shine and stand apart from the crowd.

So let's go ahead and do that step together!

Grab a camera that is the easiest for you to use (phone, webcam, etc).

Point it in your direction (don't worry about the video or YOU looking good in this – I truly mean this).

Hit the record button and talk about your favourite animal for ONE minute.

Then join our super secret Facebook group and post your video for some cheerleading from me.

Was it terrifying? Freeing?

Did you forget what to say? Did your palms sweat?

Did you think about how much you were sucking while recording?

I've heard it ALL and I want to hear how it went for YOU!

Do this baby step and then join the group right here.





Sarah Michelle Brown's passion is for telling stories that reach out and give audiences a powerful experience. She is a multifaceted artist who writes and directs for the stage, in music videos, documentaries and film.

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Sarah also conceptualizes and live-directs Beautiful, Branded Videos for her entrepreneur clients, and continues to create her own artistic projects.

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