

# Today's agenda

- Lecurette on social media, journalism
  & other useful tools
- Embedding video tutorial
- Embed a video and set up one other social media service
- These slides available at:
  - thepixelguild.ca



#### Future developments

- All media will have a social component
- Audiences also tell stories
- Collaborative reporting (blogs, comments, Twitter, Facebook, and other social web streams like <u>wired</u> journalists)
- Crowd-sourced pieces



# Challenges to journalism

- Not just about broadcasting to the audience: conversation
- Journalists will have to be social media managers as well as reporters
- Role in providing context, and "curating" information: <u>storyful.com</u>, storify.com
- Can "curation" replace fact gathering, checking?
- Finding the signal in the noise



# Tumblr (platform)

- Focus on specific subjects
- More visual blog
- You can follow/be followed, blog/reblog
- Journalism uses: offbeat stories, curatorial social media, page proofs
- Check out MediaBistro's article: <u>6 innovative uses of</u> <u>Tumblr by newsrooms</u>
- similar platform: Pinterest







# Facebook (platform w/ tools)

- Build conversations
- Post news items, stories, video, chats, polls
- Pages and insights -- data
- Caution: a private company, so don't become dependent
- Check out: <u>Should</u>
  <u>publishers run towards</u>
  <u>Facebook or away from it?</u>
  (poynter)





# Foursquare (tool)



- Check-in, badges, mayors
- Geographically targetted sources
- Survey "shouts" for breaking news?
  - No search yet
- Glean info from tips about places
- Learn about your subjects (where they go, how much time they spend there)
- More at Poynter: <u>8 uses for Foursquare</u>



# Instagram



- a tool for engaging with the audience
  - solicit photos from audience
- search tool to see who attended events
- share photos at live events
- Instagram for newsrooms (poynter)



### Vine (tool)



- 6-second video and audio
- plays directly on Twitter
- inverted pyramid storytelling (lede), other new forms
- adding visuals & audio to breaking story
- getting your voice out there
- the pros and cons (poynter)



#### YouTube (platform, tool)

- Online form of broadcasting
- Archival uses



- Crowdsourcing questions, content
- Check out: <u>youtube</u> <u>reporter's center</u>



# Skype (tool)

- Conduct interviews online
- Voice, video or chat
- Use it to record interviews
- Must-have for freelancers, telecommuters





#### Other tools & platforms

- Friendfeed (social media aggregator)
- Digg/Stumbleupon/Delicious (linking tools)
- Your mobile devices
  - probably the most important tool
  - apps to connect your mobile to all these other social media services
- Hootsuite (multiple social media posting)



# Today's activities & checkmark

#### Photoshop:

- Tutorial: embedding YouTube video on your blog
- 2. Embed a video on your Wordpress blog
- 3. Sign up for one new social media site –something you're not already on-- and use it
- 4. Link to it from your home page (publish.uwo.ca/~username)