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# **The Startup Code 2016**

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The Fastest Ways to Grow Your Startup into a Successful Thriving Business

An Exclusive 1-Day Marketing Conference at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology

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80% of Startups fail before their second birthday. People build boring "Me Too" businesses and expect the crowds to flock.

According to The New York Times, we get exposed to around 5,000 sales and marketing messages every day. We live in a very noisy world full of established businesses and hungry startups all fighting for the same precious customer eyeballs. Your business needs to STAND OUT and be different, if you want it to survive and thrive.

- Differentiate and elevate your startup above the competition
- Make your startup shine through thoughtful branding and PR
- Build a your business through Google Search (SEO & PPC)
- Attract and nurture prospects through inbound marketing
- Use social media to build authority and build a following



Tuesday, January 26, 2016 10:00 AM – 5:00 PM MIT Stata Center 32-141



### THE PRESENTERS

Learn from the experts in today's high-demand marketing strategies



Andrew Percey Founder, Google AdWords Expert Prometheus Internet Marketing MIT BS '95 MNG '96 EECS

### **Build Your Startup with Google Search (SEO & PPC)**

- Why bother with Google Search for your startup?
- SEO (Search Engine Optimization) vs. PPC (Pay-Per-Click)
- What still works for building SEO authority in 2016?
- How do you make AdWords PPC work for your startup?
- Top tools & resources (free and paid) for SEO and PPC

Andrew has provided Google AdWords PPC and SEO guidance to over 50 MIT startups and 20 established businesses, helping them gain thousands of new customers online. He holds two degrees from MIT in Electrical Engineering and Computer Science and publishes the Prometheus Flame blog and the Magnetic Consultant podcast.

Learn More About Andrew



**Kenny Goodman** Founder, Business Growth Mentor Find The Edge

### Develop a Peak-Performing Value Proposition For Your Startup

- Why marketing with a poor VP is like trying to fill a leaky bucket
- What exactly do your customers want & need in 2016 & beyond?
- How to stand out, get noticed & be the 'obvious' best choice
- Where should you focus your marketing as a startup?
- Tried & tested tools & resources for VP creation

Kenny has built and sold several businesses, including a tech startup. He mentors startup founders & other small business owners, helping them develop "perfect fit" products, services and marketing campaigns, making them the obvious choice. He also publishes Find The Edge blog and the Magnetic Consultant podcast.

Learn More About Kenny



**Kevin Hart** Partner, Creative Director HB/EMA Boston

### Make Your Startup Shine with Branding, PR and Social (speaker 1/3)

- Define the brand: how design, behavior & consistency build strength
- Build a community of brand advocates to share your story
- Go beyond media relations and facilitate conversations
- The coming content convergence: paid, and earned
- Tools & guidance for measuring the right things

Kevin has been a creative force in marketing communications for over twenty years. As creative director of the agency, Kevin ensures that our clients' online and offline branding initiatives are strategically and tactically sound. His passion for unique ideas and breakthrough messaging foster a vibrant creative atmosphere.



VP, Public Relations HB/EMA Boston

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- Chuck's clients rely on his expertise to help set strategy that

combines content, social and media to reach customers, partners, investors and prospects. His strategy and execution helped Greentown Labs grow from a sparsely populated and unknown startup space to become the nation's largest cleantech incubator.



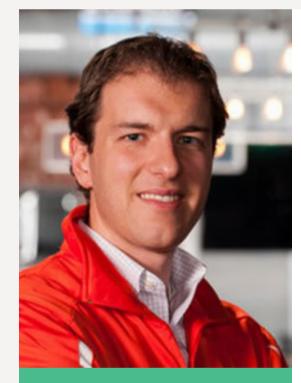
# Make Your Startup Shine with Branding, PR and Social (speaker 3/3)

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**Todd VanHoosear** VP, Public Relations HB/EMA Boston strength

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Combining a stint as an IT guy with his education in PR and communication, Todd has helped clients in the engineering, mobile, cloud, networking, consumer technology and consulting spaces bring new ideas – and new takes on old ideas – to the market.



**Nick Salvatoriello** Partner, VP of Client Services Innovative Marketing Resource

#### Marketing Technology in an "Inbound" World

- How to market smarter with social
- Inbound marketing (content & context)
- The good kind of marketing automation
- The buyer's journey and how to transform strangers to promotersHow to transform your marketing into something people love

Nick was a Principal Inbound Professor at HubSpot Academy where he developed and delivered training for entrepreneurs and marketing professionals. He has consulted to over 200 HubSpot customers (all small and medium sized businesses and startups), helping them to launch their inbound marketing programs.



**Jennifer Sheahan** Founder and President Socially Grown

### How Startups Can Leverage the Power of Social Media

- The changing face of social media
- Defining your social media goals
- Developing an effective strategy
- Choosing the right platforms
- Marketing on a tight budget

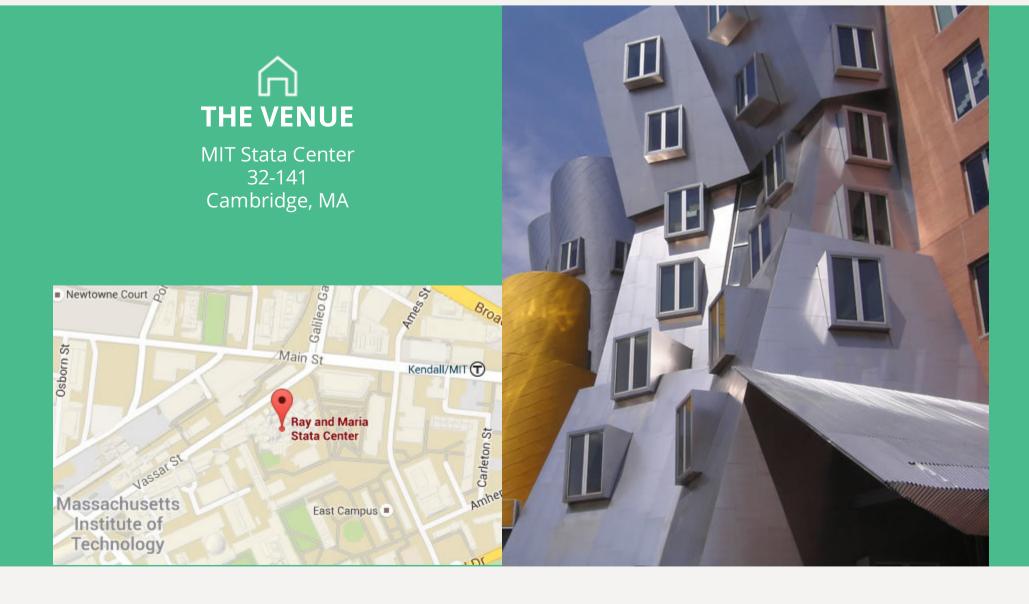
Jennifer's agency was hired to design Facebook ads for Barack Obama's presidential re-election campaign. She's also delivered social media success for Tony Robbins, Frank Kern, James Schramko, Ryan Deiss and many more. She cuts through the noise to find the quickest path to a great result.



### THE SPONSORS

A big thank you to our Boston-based sponsors for generously providing lunch for attendees.





# THE FEEDBACK (from 2015)

"Absolutely valuable on many levels! Thank you! I have one 3-year old business w/internet, one brick & mortar, and one web-based startup. Excited to investigate resources and rethink my biz with the framework [you presented]." **Eric Portnoy**  "Very interesting. Full of real info, no fluff." **Robert Peterson**  "The info on crafting a unique selling proposition was particularly helpful." Ben Gillies

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