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# CREATIVE BRIEF

### **SETLIST.** Music & Music Festival Culture

The music festival is a phenomenon that brings hundreds of thousands people together from all parts of the world each year. It is at festivals where the energy is high, the friendships are strong, and the mood is jovial and uplifting. However, those who have never attended a music festival before may not be aware of how magical and therapeutic the experience can be, which is why we hope to develop 'SETLIST'; an informative magazine based around music, music festivals and the festival lifestyle. The purpose of the magazine will be to enlighten readers on music festival culture. In addition, the magazine will encourage readers to attend (and be aware of) upcoming events as it features articles about popular festivals, festival-goers, festival fashion, art, and unforgettable experience that comes with it. The first issue will focus on electronic-themed music festivals in particular. We hope that the concept of this magazine will grasp your attention and enlighten the idea of putting festival culture out there.

#### **AUDIENCE**

Typical readers of SETLIST more than often have an interest in the arts, electronic music, festivals, and festival culture and may be actively seeking a fun event to attend or a new music artist to discover.

The demographic of SETLIST readers are 58% female and 42% male. Of those readers, 23% have graduated college and 48% are employed. The median age of REVIBE readers is 21.5 and the household income is approximately \$80k.

#### **COMPETITION**

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### TONE

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#### CONTENT

SETLIST will inform its readers through an equal balance of written content and visuals. The content will be well-researched and written from both an interview standpoint and the personal experience of festival-goers.

The front of SETLIST will contain updates about upcoming festivals and how to get connected. Feature spreads may center around the artists playing at these festivals or zero in on a particular festival.

### VISUALS

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### **SPECIFICS**

SETLIST will be 8" by 10" in size, giving it room to be flexible with how it displays its content. It will cost \$.7.99 and issue and will be published every two months in order to stay caught up with new music and music festivals.

# CONTENT/COMPETITION RESEARCH

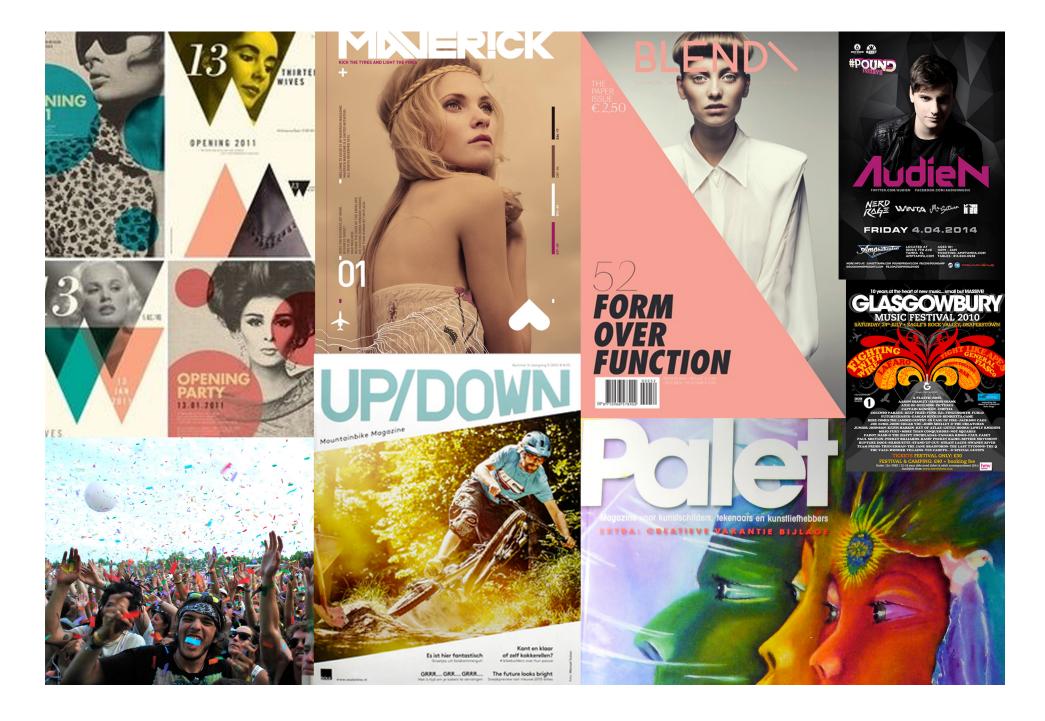




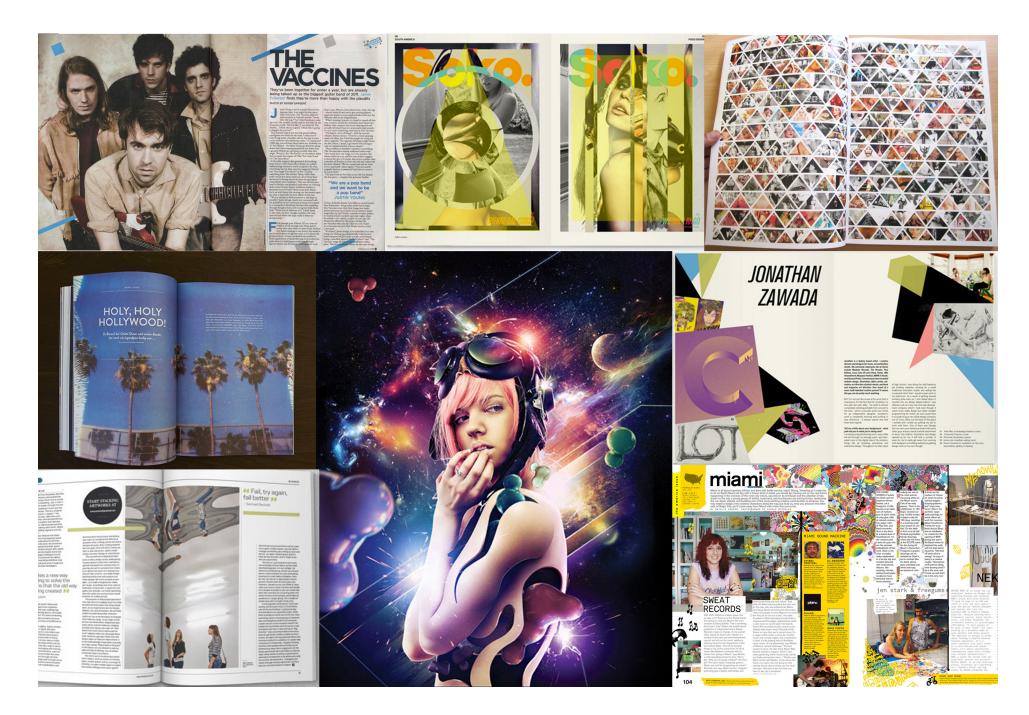
### MOOD BOARD



### COVER INSPIRATION



### LAYOUT / AESTHETICS INSPIRATION



# IDEA BRAINSTORMING

1) really try and capture the personality of your magazine.

2) establish what you're trying to explain. research, research, research.

3) present everything in a music festival-esque fashion.

4) consider placement! how does the movement of type relate to a festival? How do the shapes created in the layout relate to a festival?

add to brief: there are a lot of visuals at festivals; a lot of colors, shapes, and nonrestraint. i want to give my viewers a lot to look at.

#### SHOPPING LIST:

-music magazines (elektro, billboard, clubbing, etc) -binder for project -paints -flashdrive

#### NOTES FOR MAGAZINE DESIGN:

don't just "try" out layouts. create layouts that have a reason for why they look the way they do. make everything relate to the theme and personality of your magazine

STEP BEFORE: dissect your demographic. what do guys and girls like at a festival? interview people?

PLAN OUT A STEP BY STEP SCHEDULE FOR THIS PROJECT.

# LOGOTYPE SKETCHES





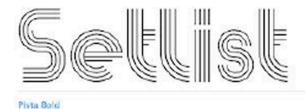






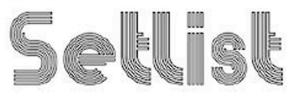
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Critique Notes:

- Don't combine typefaces
- Line typefaces create a nice 'sound vibration' look
- keep S's consistient

# COVER SKETCHES

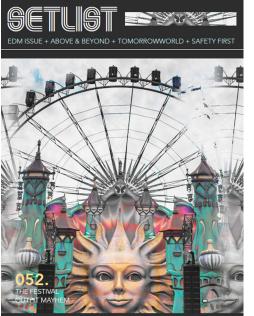


# DIGITAL COVER DRAFTS

**Critique Notes:** 

- Make layouts more dynamic; too restrained.
- Intriguing image ٠ choice









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034. TRANCE AROUND THE WORLD: ABOVE & BEYOND

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052. TOMORROWWORLD: DISCOVER THE MADNESS







# DIGITAL COVER DRAFTS

Critique Notes:

- Get rid of dots
- Play with different triangle layouts
- Adjust hierarchy
- Bring more brightness in / Too much dark





# DIGITAL COVER FINAL

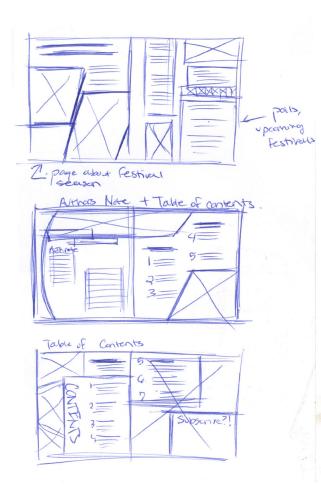


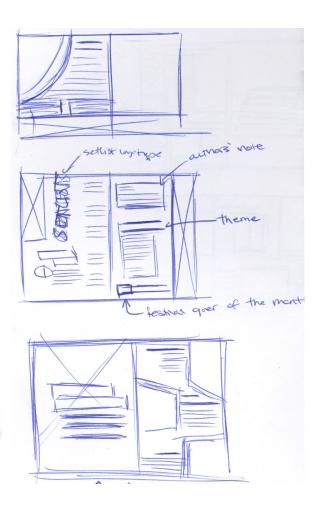




# ARTICLE & FEATURE SKETCHES









# **DIGITAL SPREADS (DRAFT)**

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#### feature 1

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article 3







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**Critique Notes:** 

- Make the image on the first page • of feature 1 match the second page
- Play more with the structure in feature 1. Needs more excitement and dynamism
- Bring dynamic elements in the • first page of feature 2 to the other pages. Get rid of dots





# DIGITAL SPREADS (DRAFT)

openers



SPRING 2015 SPRIN

article 1

article 2





SETLET MASAZNE





LET'S TALK EDM

#### feature 1







#### Critique Notes:

- Get rid of blue square in background of article 1.
- Put 'Editor's Note' somewhere in opener spread
- adjust layout of second page on opener spread
- Use less typefaces for feature 1
- Flip image on first page of feature 2 and make the third page more cohesive w/ the rest









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Well this not only Argonabeats and being to the studio that occu- ptes our time - there are so many aspects to what we do, from deciding how the visuals in our show should be through to taking	say this has been the brggast opportunity for everyone. You are now easily able to be global rather then part local, and you are normally in control of your own output.	
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# DIGITAL SPREAD (FINAL)

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feature 1





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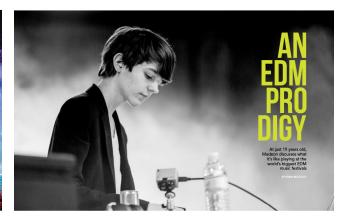
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feature 4















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# DIGITAL MAGAZINE

# **SETLIST.** Digital Magazine Proposal

SETLIST's digital magazine will be horizontal in orientation. Like the print version, Rolloglide will be used for the cover's logotype and Bauhaus will be used for article titles. Avenir will be used for the subtitles and bodycopy. Because it revolves around music, SETLIST's digital magazine will feature buttons that one can click on to play videos or music from featured artists and festivals. Lines and arrows will lead the viewer throughout the pages of the magazine.

#### **INTERACTION**

Viewers will be able to watch videos of festivals and listen to the music of the featured artists in the magazine through the use of a media player. There will also be videos to support the written interviews and articles that are written about the artists in the magazine. A link will always be present on each page to lead the viewer back to the table of contents.

### **VISUAL CUES**

As mentioned in the overview, the digital magazine will have a single guideline running along the top of the page that will lead the viewers to next a different feature or article. There will be arrows pointing up or down at the top and bottom of the pages to indicate the additional pages a single feature may have. Mp3's and video players will be indicated with a play button.

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#### ORIENTATION

SETLIST digital magazine will be horizontal in orientation to retain the rich, expansive images of festival photos featured throughout the issue.

#### **Critique Notes:**

- Make body copy larger
- More interactive features needed
- Perhaps make triangles on cover change color
- Line indicating more pages is a plus

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#### PACING

Although festivals can be crowded and chatotic, SETLIST's digital magazine will be free flowing and spcious to keep the reader from feeling overwhelmed by all of the lively images and text. The magazine will feature articles about festivals first and the artists later. However, the clickable table of contents will allow viewers to instantly jump to any article they want.