## **TWENTIES**





## *Twenties* is a unique series for **BET**\*.

It is a great opportunity for us to connect with a younger audience looking for more authentic representation of Black life in your twenties.

There's Ambition. There's mess. Walking affirmations and crumbling delusions. Welcome to adulthood

Our approach to the campaign for Twenties is a bit off-beat, fluid, artful, sweet and rebellious.

The elements we release throughout the breadth of this campaign don't necessarily have to match each other visually. So long as our overall message is clear and consistent - we good.





## Your Twenties are....

...about finding your groove, finding self love, where friendships are your chosen family.

...when doors are opening and closing; the beginning of your life journey!

TWENTIES is a love letter to the decade as your 20s are a lesson, a blessing, and a necessity for who you will become.







# **BIG IDEAS**

I. EVERYTHING IS FINE





Concept I

# **EVERYTHING IS FINE.**





Fake it til you make it. Figure it out. It's all good.

The world could go to sh!t all around you. But you can't let them see you sweat. Never lose your cool.

Sis, you got this.



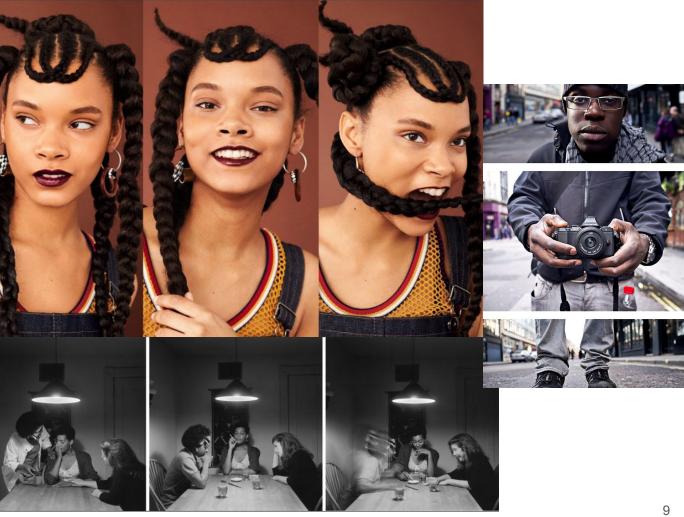


**EVERYTHING IS FINE** Execution I: Triptych











Execution 1: Triptych

1 x :30

A triptych introduction to our three main characters: Marie, Hattie, and Nia.

We are introduced to their typical morning, noon, and night, simultaneously, in vertical frames, where the girls meet up at the end of the day for dinner, at Marie's, in one single frame.

Reference: <a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=EN9auBn6Jys">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=EN9auBn6Jys</a>

## MORNING

Hattie, on Marie's pull out, having morning sex with a woman while Lorraine is FaceTiming her

## NOON

Hattie, leaving the coffee shop, juggling too much coffee.

## NIGHT

Marie, in her bedroom with Chuck, where he immediately flips her over

Marie, at work, dealing with the 'boys club' trying to get a word in. Nia, in her bed, alone and frustrated, reaching for her vibrator

Nia, lined up for an audition with a dozen other women who look just like her



Music: Goldlink's Days Like this

Each woman is seated in a separate space, looking exhausted. The left and right frame close in on the middle frame to become one, showing the girls seated around Marie's dinner table. They push through all day faking like everything's fine; it's not really until they are together when things finally feel in place.

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### **EVERYTHING IS FINE - HATTIE**

Execution 2: Group Chat 3 x :30

Triptych view of the girls in their individual environments, texting in the group chat. Each of the three main characters has her own spot, where she thinks everything is fine, but her two friends let her know...she's trippin'.

Hattie: Yall. Soy milk and Skim milk taste the same... right?

Marie: Girl, no.

Nia: They are not the same, Hattie.

Hattie: Y'all are trippin!

Marie: Hattie, what did you do...

Hattie: Boss lady won't know the difference.

Nia: 👀

Hattie: [searches for validation] Cut to Endpage

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## **EVERYTHING IS FINE - NIA**

Execution 2: Group Chat 3 x :30

Nia: Yall, guess what!

Hattie: Here we go

Marie: What's up, Nia?

Nia: I'm in LOVE !

Marie: ??

Hattie: I'm scared to ask...

Marie: Ok, are you going to tell us with who??

Nia: I'm in love with myself !! 😊 🕥

Hattie: [Hattie has left the chat]

**Nia:** [searching for belonging] Cut to Endpage

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#### **EVERYTHING IS FINE - Marie**

Execution 2: Group Chat 3 x :30

Hattie sits in happy hour with a drink in her hand.

Hattie: What's yalls ETA?

Nia: I'm almost there.

Hattie: Marie ...?

Marie is in her office.

Marie: Oh...about 10 minutes.

Hattie: Wait, are you at work? It's Sunday!

**Marie:** The price of success is hard work

Hattie: Well the price of this drink is \$4

Nia: 😂

Marie: [questioning life decisions]

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#### Execution 3: Lessons 3 x :30 LESSONS - "DEMS THE RULES" : **VO by HATTIE**

TWENTIES gives viewers many opportunities to learn valuable life lessons through each character along their journeys. In this example Hattie, in her own words spoken to camera, will share her takeaways, from lessons learned in season 1 of TWENTIES.

Tone: staccato and playful.

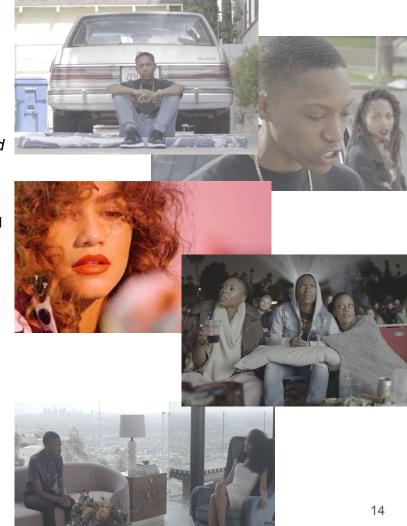
HATTIE: Clean up those tweets..... Hattie's first interview with Ida B

HATTIE: Do the work, or be read for filth......Hattie posting social media

**HATTIE: It's OK to not have it figured out, push through....** Hattie, Marie, Nia together

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As Hattie discusses these points, we see a montage of stills and video from the series complimenting each lesson. Hattie, speaking directly to camera/the viewer, in a confessional-style shot, accompanied by cuts of B-roll of her personality, like the



Execution 3: Lessons 3 x :30

## LESSONS - "DEMS THE RULES" : VO by MARIE

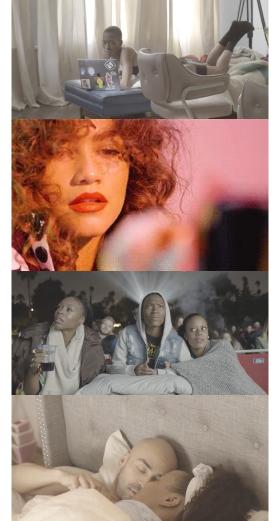
TWENTIES gives viewers many opportunities to learn valuable life lessons through each character along their journeys. In this example Marie, in her own words spoken to camera, will share what she's learned so far her in twenties, but the clips will suggest that... she has much more to learn.

Tone: staccato and playful.

MARIE: Work smart, not hard ...... Clip of Marie at work late MARIE: Take care of your man ...... Chuck checks out the waiter MARIE: Get your money right...... Marie shades Hattie's couch surfing MARIE: Cherish your support system...... Hattie, Marie, Nia tease each other EVERYTHING'S FINE.

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As Marie discusses these points, we see a montage of stills and video from the series complimenting each lesson. Marie, speaking directly to camera/the viewer, in a confessional-style shot. Accompanied by cuts of B-roll of her personality, like the Zendaya gif.



Execution 3: Lessons 3 x :30

## LESSONS - "DEMS THE RULES" : VO by NIA

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Tone: staccato and playful.

NIA: Find time for self-care ...... Nia at the yoga studio/doing a tree pose

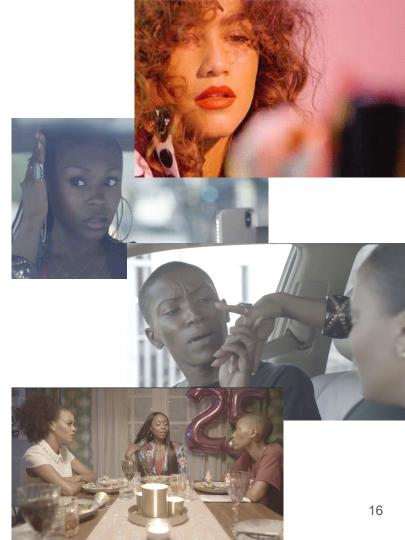
NIA: Love yourself ...... Nia showing off her 'married to myself' ring

NIA: Stay true to yourself ...... Nia storming away from an audition

NIA: Keep your circle strong...... Hattie, Marie, Nia together

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As Nia discusses these points, we see a montage of stills and video from the series complimenting each lesson. Nia, speaking directly to camera/the viewer, in a confessional-style shot, accompanied by cuts of B-roll of her personality, like the Zendaya gif.



Execution 3: Lessons Typographic reference (not copy)

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Concept II





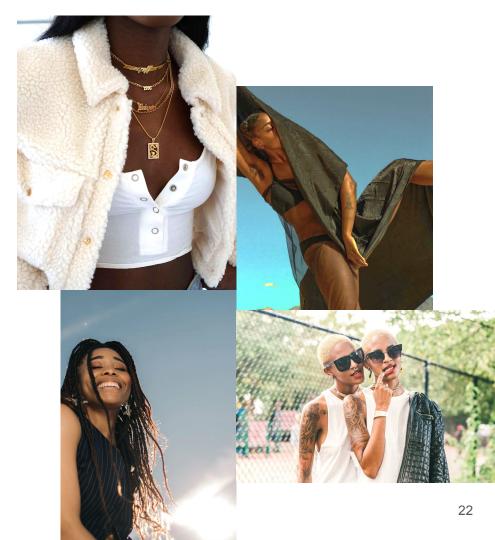
# **"I DON'T WANT TO MAKE SOMEBODY ELSE**, I WANT TO MAKE **MYSELF**" **Toni Morrison**



Design your life. Be yourself. Everybody else is already taken.

Have vision Chart your course And go!

There will be detours. Improvise. It certainly won't be linear That's what makes your journey uniquely Yours.





**YOUR TWENTIES ARE A WORK OF ART** Execution 1: MEME 3 x :10/:15

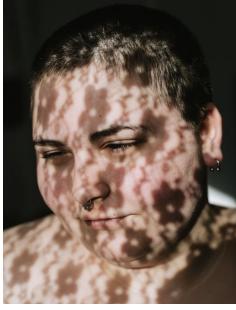


The things Hattie cares about: the latest sneaker drop

The things she should care about: a place to live Meet: HATTIE a work of art.

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Each character, in a meme form. A character portrait slate of them in their best version of themselves, until the camera reveals the reality of who they are currently.



The things Marie cares about: her relationship and career status

The things she should care about: is he even faithful to me? Meet: MARIE a work of art.

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The things Nia cares about: carrying herself in a positive light

The things she should care about: practicing what she preaches Meet: NIA

A work of art.

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## Twenties Montage, VO by main characters 1 x :60

Hattie, Marie, Nia VO: These are your Twenties. (beat) *Twenties logo appears* 

As we hear the VO boldly state the words, we see images from the show and/OR from the promo shoot represent each point. There is a crescendo to add to the angst tone.

Hattie, Marie, Nia VO: Your TWENTIES are filled with a lot of things like... INBALANCE Hattie juggling coffee cups

**Ugliness** Nia getting turned away from an audition

Spontaneity Hattie hanging outside of the car window

Stress Marie at work with the boys club

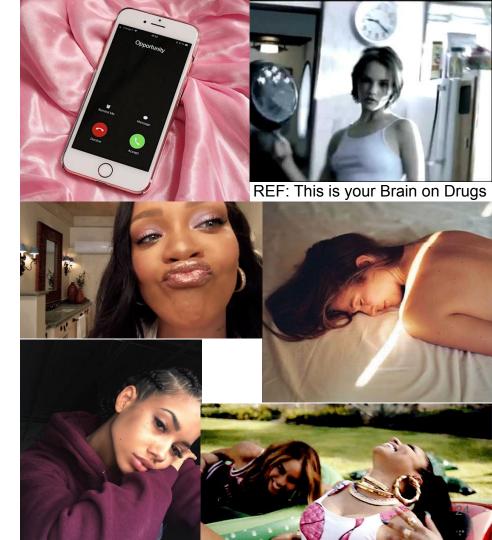
With Pockets of Happiness Marie, Hattie, Nia singing in the car

**Good Ratchet Fun** Hattie's mom on the phone laughing with her tongue out

New Experiences Hattie meeting Ida

The Brokest of times Hattie being evicted And... Lots Marie & Chuck in bed Of Hattie in bed with a woman Sex! Nia finishes with her vibrator in hand & smiles (beat) VO: Your Twenties are a Work of Art. New Series by Lena Waithe. Coming This Spring. BET.







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# STYLE EXPLOSION INSERT

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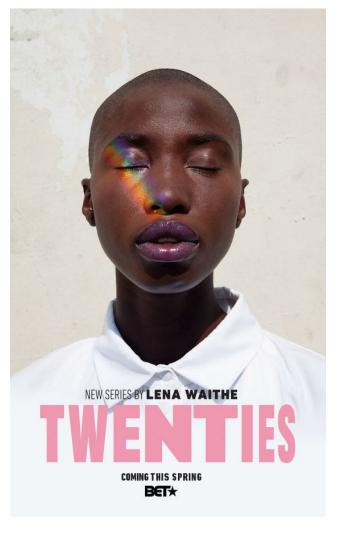




Light and projections to convey the personality of each character



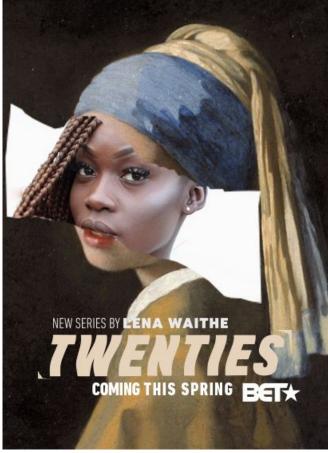


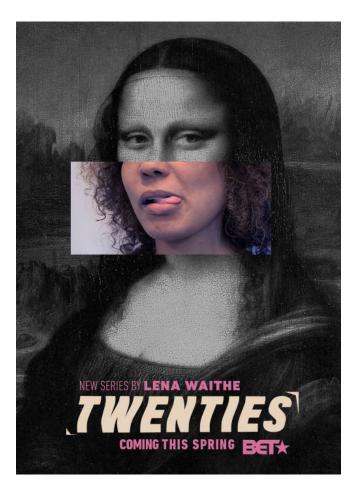














## **SOCIAL | DIGITAL | EXPERIENTIAL**





**EXPECTATION VS REALITY** Social Execution: Me vs The Universe

squad expectations v. reality

We think we know what our twenties will look like, until we actually live them.

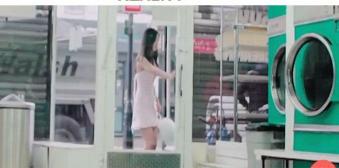




EXPECTATION

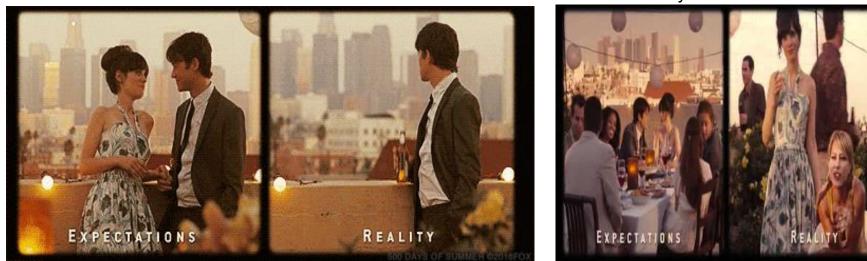


REALITY





Social Execution: Me vs The Universe Reference



Ref: 500 Days of Summer

Alt:

You Thought v. You Got

In my Mind v. In my Face

Me v. The World

The Story I'm Telling Myself v. The Reality

My Plan v. God's Plan

Me v. The Universe



Social Execution: Me vs The Universe

3 x :10

A quick beat. Each half of the split screen, labeled "expectations" and "reality." The left will show the truth of the character's reaction to life; and reveal how the universe can often have different plans for you. The score card will show at the end of the skit, that our character lost this round. All images/video pulled from series footage.



Hattie - 0

Universe - 1

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Marie - 0 Universe - 1

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Nia - 0 Universe - 1

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#### **YOUR TWENTIES ARE A WORK OF ART** Social Execution 2

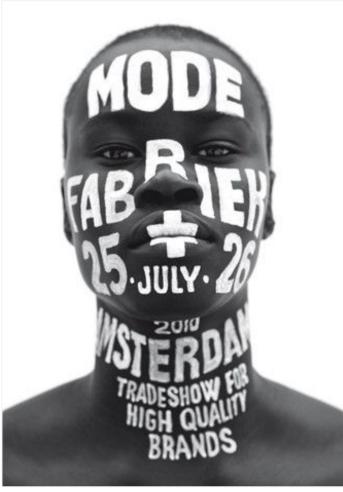
At a launch event, the cast of Twenties along with select influencers and partygoers interact with artist Laolu in an experiential/social execution that illustrates how people would define lessons in their twenties.

We'd start by having each participant answer a brief questionnaire about their twenties, then they'd become a canvas upon which Laolu would paint their stories.

We would capture these moments with stills and video and give takeaway clips/pics to participants to be posted and shared on social media.







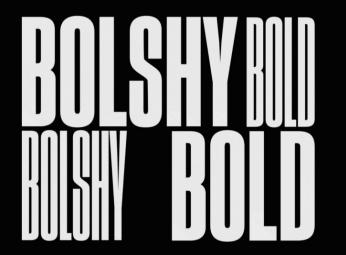




Illustrated elements on each character body can depict the disorder of each one's environment.



## **TYPOGRAPHY REFERENCE**



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