

Twitch *Variety Tent Talks*TM Dec 14th 2022 Notes

Step 1 = How To Log in/Twitch Front Page:

Log In/Sign Up

- Search Twitch in your browser of choice OR type twitch.tv into your search engine
- Click **purple** button that says “**Sign Up**” – top right of the homepage
- Create a username & password (see username guidelines below):
 - Your First Name_Variety_Tent Location
 - For Example: Josh_Variety_Ontario
- Verify email address or phone number for account protection purposes
 - Twitch will send you a numerical code either via email or your phone number. Type that code into the space provided during the sign up process.
- Now Account Should Be Live

Twitch Front Page:

- **Twitch Carousel** is in the top center of the screen underneath the search bar
 - That’s where you will find highlighted streamers from the different categories on twitch that are currently live
 - Don’t worry too much about this section
- **Notifications** (located at the top right and looks like a filing cabinet drawer) lets you know when you have received a gift sub to a specific streamer’s channel.
 - Each notification will give you the username of the person who gifted you that subscription, also known as a sub, and the name of the streamer/channel the sub is attached to.
 - This information is important to keep track of because it allows you to thank specific people/engage with specific people in the chat by thanking them for the gift sub.
 - A Gift sub is a way to pledge a specific amount of money to the streamer per month, and a way to support that streamer, or their charity, financially.
 - A gift sub also allows you to use Twitch Emojis specific to that streamer (more on that in the chat section of this document).
- **Whispers** (located beside Notifications and looks like a cartoon/comic book speech bubble) are direct/private messages people can send to other users on Twitch.
 - You may receive questions in your Whispers during the event, and people may reach out with information pertaining to Variety they don’t want to share with other people in the chat.
 - I would recommend checking the icon regularly to see if you have whispers waiting for you. So you can answer these specific questions in a timely manner.

Step 2 = Connecting With Your Streamer:

Searching for Your Streamer:

- **The Search Bar** is located in the centre of the Twitch Home Page near the top of the page (just above the carousel).
 - Each participating tent will be assigned a specific streamer, and therefore time slot, to support during the event.
 - This search bar will allow you to type in the username of the streamer who is assigned to your tent.
 - Once you type the username (as it will be provided to you by the organizing committee) click on the magnifying glass or hit “enter” on your keyboard to initiate the search.
 - You will come to a page with options for your search.
 - Click on the profile picture or the name (in bold) of the streamer you want to watch and you will be taken to their homepage or their livestream.
 - If it takes you to their homepage, scroll just under the video to where it says “chat” with a diagonal arrow. That will take you to the livestream page and chat.
- The purple **“Follow”** button with the heart on the streamer’s homepage or just under their livestream video player closer to the chat on the right-hand side of the screen allows you to support the streamer by boosting their follower count.
 - I would recommend clicking on that button while the streamer is live as a sign of support for the streamer and to introduce yourself to the streamer and their community live.

Step 3 = How To Engage With The Community/Streamer On The Livestream:

Livestream / Chat:

- On the chat/livestream page you will see the **live stream** in the video window on the left-hand side of the screen, and the **chat** section on the righthand side of the screen.
 - You will see a little area that says **“send a message”** at the bottom of the chat box. This is where you type messages that the entire stream will see.
 - If you want to thank someone for the gift sub they gave to you, say hi to someone that said hi to you, say hi to the streamer who mentioned you while they were live, answer someone’s question about variety they posted publicly in the chat, and/or thank someone for donating to the cause; **“tag”** that specific person, so they don’t miss the message, by typing @ in the **“send a message”** section of the chat immediately

followed by their username (no spaces), then hit your **“enter”** key on your keyboard.

- Someone may also donate something called **“bits”** to the streamer. **“Bits”** are Twitch currency that converts to real money paid to the streamer at the end of the month.
 - 100 bits = \$1 USD
- If someone donates **“bits”** to the stream you can use the above method to **“tag”** them in a message of thanks in the same way you would thank someone for a donation or gift sub.
- The **smiley face** on the righthand side of the **“send a message”** window is where you can access **“emotes”** which are Twitch’s version of Emojis
 - This is how viewers clap, put up lighters, show their emotions during a song, show love to each other, hug each other, and joke around with each other in a more visual way than words.
 - Click on the icon and it will give you access to all of the emotes you have available to you at that moment. Click on the one you want to use and it will appear in the **“send a message”**
 - If any of the **“emotes”** have a lock on them, that means you need a gift sub to the channel to use them. Any that do not have a lock over them are free for you to use.
 - Scroll down the **“emotes”** window like you would a website to see all the emotes you can use.
 - When using an **“emote”** make sure the emotion you are trying to get across matches the emotion or energy of the emote. Emotes are like sentences and when used out of place, can mean something you did not intend for them to mean.

Step 4 = How To Deliver Variety’s Message Durring The Streams:

- If you want to trigger a **“chat command”**, talking points about variety or the donation link for the ShowHeart Streamathon event, type ! followed by the command (no spaces) to make the info and link appear in the chat.
 - For example: **!donate or !variety1, !variety2, !variety3**
 - THE ABOVE COMMANDS ARE ALL OF THE SHOWHEART COMMANDS THE STREAMERS PARTICIPATING IN THE EVENT WILL BE USING.
 - **!donate** will trigger the donation link
 - **!variety1, !variety2, !variety3** will trigger information about the organization and sometimes the donation link as well.

- **Feel free to use those links at different points during the livestream when the streamer discusses how to support variety, talks about variety, or mentions that we are doing a charity streamathon/raid train.**