

Agenda and USB Mic Options

Please mute your mic while videos are playing. If you have a question during the video, we invite you to ask via CHAT. Thank you!

Lights, Camera, Action!

Tuesday, 18 August 2020

with Lynn Hawley, Deanna de Azevedo, and Jennifer Barrows

A note about audio: Except for minor adjustment of levels, the audio in each video is raw (a.k.a. as captured by microphone) with no post-production equalization (a.k.a. adjustment of sound quality).

Video Part One (10:29):

Prologue: So Much Better

- A. Working with What You Have
- B. Think About Background
- C. Super Simple Audio
- D. Wearing Glasses
 - Image of Lynn: Before and After
- E. Natural Light and Daylight-Balanced Bulbs
 - Image of Deanna's Lighting Set Up

Daylight-balanced bulbs used by Deanna (and Lynn too); purchased at Target:

GE Refresh LED Lights (60w/10.5w, Energetic Daylight)



Q&A Part One

Due to scheduling, we need to begin the second video by 4:30 pm.

Video Part Two: Using USB Microphones (12:44)

- A. Pick-Up Pattern
- B. Setting Up the Snowball (Retail: \$69.99)
- C. The Yeti (Retail: \$129.99 mic w/tabletop stand only)
 - Boom Set-Up
 - Shockmount
 - Pop Filter
- D. A Yeti That's Been Yeti'd
 - Furry windscreen instead of a pop filter
- E. Lynn's Turn to Plug In
 - Volume is Different Than Gain

Q&A Part Two

Due to scheduling, we need to end by 5 pm.

USB Mics:

Blue Designs USB Microphones
(parent company = Logitech)
<https://www.bluemic.com/en-us/>

Deanna's USB Mics:

Yeticaster Pro Streaming Bundle

- Yeti Multi-Pattern USB Microphone
- Radius III Shockmount
- Compass Boom Arm

Retail: \$199

Snowball Classic Studio-Quality USB Microphone

- three patterns
- comes w/tabletop stand
- choice of colors

Retail: \$69.00

Important Note:

Deanna's Snowball mic is different than Snowball iCE which is a single-pattern (omnidirectional) and is \$49.99. Snowball iCE is omnidirectional (same type of pattern as laptop mic).

More:

Deanna also uses a "furry" windscreen and also has a pop filter. She bought both on the cheap from Amazon (\$10 for sponge and furry — made for Blue Yetu). For professional quality, B&H Photo is a reliable vendor with free expedited shipping on many items.

Deanna's telescoping tabletop stand is a professional stand by Auray. Available via B&H (and possibly Amazon).

Vendors Deanna regularly uses:

- B&H Photo (New York)
- Amazon
- Target

Lynn's Mic:

Yeti Multi-Pattern USB Microphone

- comes w/tabletop stand
- choice of colors

Retail: \$129

Lynn purchased direct from Blue Designs

Note: A mic on a tabletop stand might amplify your desk. A quick solution: yoga mat or silicon trivets (a.k.a. potholders) underneath mic. You might also cover surface of desk with a towel or throw rug.

Jenn's Mic and Set-up:

Yeti Multi-Pattern USB Microphone

- comes w/tabletop stand (which Jenn does not use)
- choice of colors

Retail: \$129

Jenn's Mic is set up with two components:

- Boseen Shock Mount Compatible With Blue Yeti, Blue Yeti Pro USB (Retail: \$23)
- YOTTO Microphone Stand Adjustable Studio Mic Stand Suspension Boom Scissor Arm with Pop Filter Windscreen, for Blue Yeti, Snowball & Others (Retail: \$33)

Jenn's microphone was purchased from Best Buy and her other equipment was purchased through Amazon.

Aaron Garner's Recommendations (via chat and during presentation):

FIFINE USB Podcast Microphone for Recording Streaming on PC and Mac (K678)

Retail: \$79.99

Movo Professional Lavalier Lapel Clip-on Interview Podcast Microphone - It's very good...

Retail: \$40

Azden PRO-XR Digital Camera-Mount Wireless Omni Lavalier Microphone System (2.4 GHz)

Retail: \$249