

TAG MultiMedia's New Avatar Service Helps Small Business Market in the Metaverse

In conjunction with national Small Business Week, ad-tech agency TAG MultiMedia in Clawson is focusing on helping small businesses explore what it means to chart their course in the next marketing landscape by leveraging the Metaverse.

In late April, TAG MultiMedia launched what it calls a practical approach to this emerging space with conversational AI Avatars (CAI-Avatars). CAI-Avatars are trainable, digital entities that provide a branded customer service and sales prospecting experience to online users. It lives on a website and assists visitors with a humanized engagement offering immediate answers about products and services. This digital tool works 24/7/365, giving business owners the time to focus their efforts into other areas of their business.

To help business owners learn more about how CAI-Avatars are an effective tool, TAG MultiMedia is hosting an in-person and online event — The Metaverse and Your Business — from 3-4 p.m. on May 19 at Bamboo Royal Oak. The event is free but registration is required by visiting *TAGMultiMedia.net* to opt-in and receive a link to the presentation.

"Early adopters of this technology will reap the biggest rewards," says Michelle Armstrong, president of TAG. "The more the avatar is engaged, the better it performs. Using it now on a website means it will be polished and ready to go so small businesses can have the first sales personas in the Metaverse."

CAI-Avatars engage visitors in a friendly, service-to-sale conversation, while saving business owners money by offsetting the cost of repeated employee training and coaching. Armstrong adds that it also improves website performance and conversion rates. "It essentially allows the business owner to be in two places at once," Armstrong says.

Among some of the technologies that make this happen are machine-learning, artificial intelligence (AI), and natural language processing (NLP). Once trained with custom content, a unique code is generated and placed on the website. The proprietary software enables users to collect, organize, analyze, edit, and automate data.