Lady Gaga And Copyright Infringement

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Famous people are no different than everyone else when it comes to use of copyright protected material. Sometimes they (or people acting on their behalf) do things that cause third parties to claim infringement.

Lady Gaga is no exception. According to <u>reports</u>, her official YouTube account (ladygagaofficial) was recently shut down after posting ten minutes of footage from a TV appearance she made on a Japanese television network. Apparently, the network complained to YouTube, claiming that Gaga didn't have digital rights to the clip.

<u>YouTube's Copyright Infringement Notification policy</u> allows third parties to notify it of copyright infringement claims in accordance with provisions of the Digital Millennium Copyright Act. [17 United States Code, Section 512]

The ladygagaofficial account on YouTube has more than 500,000 subscribers and 50,000 friends. Thus quite a few people must have been disappointed when the account was temporarily suspended due to the copyright dispute noted above.

But Gaga fans take heart. The account has already been reinstated.

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