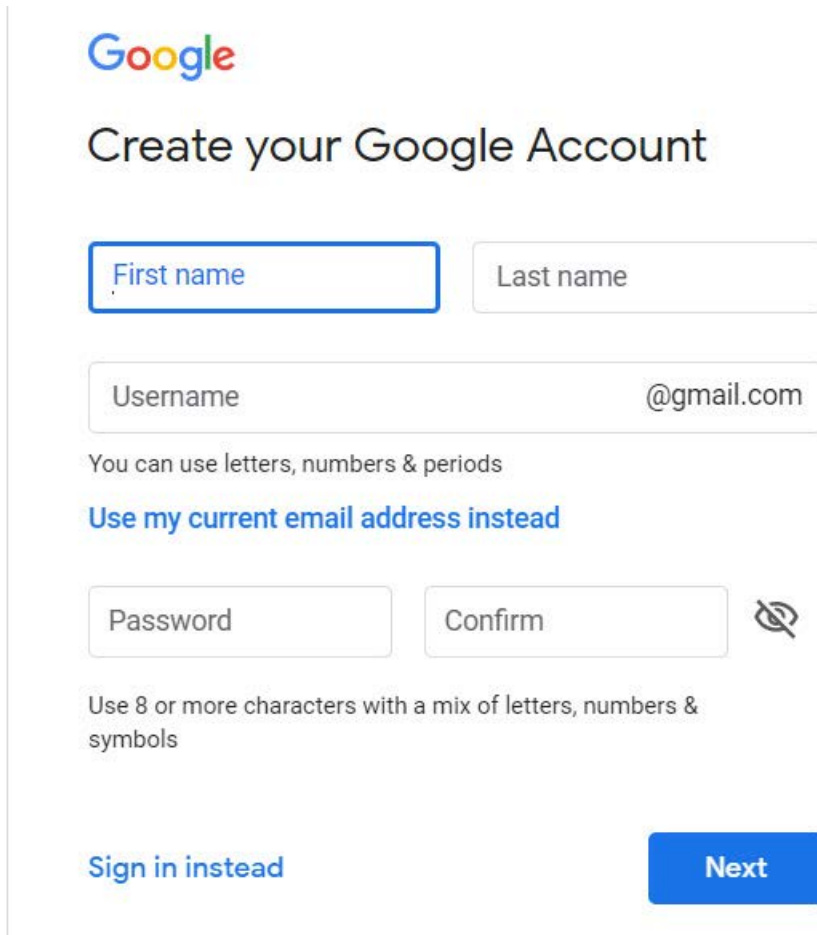


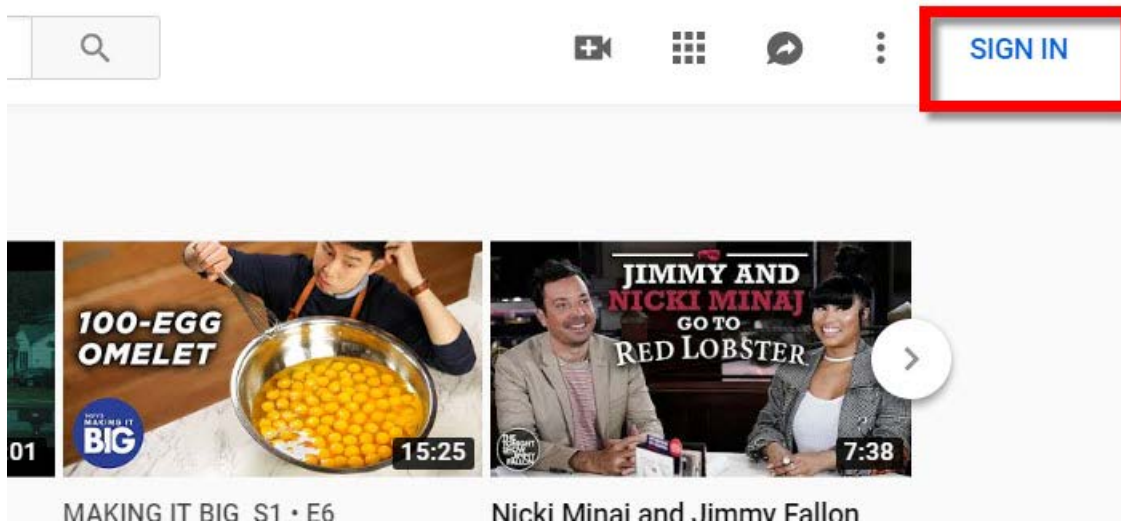
## Creating a Google Account and YouTube Channel

Go to the Google site: [accounts.google.com](https://accounts.google.com) to create a **gmail** account if you do not already have one.



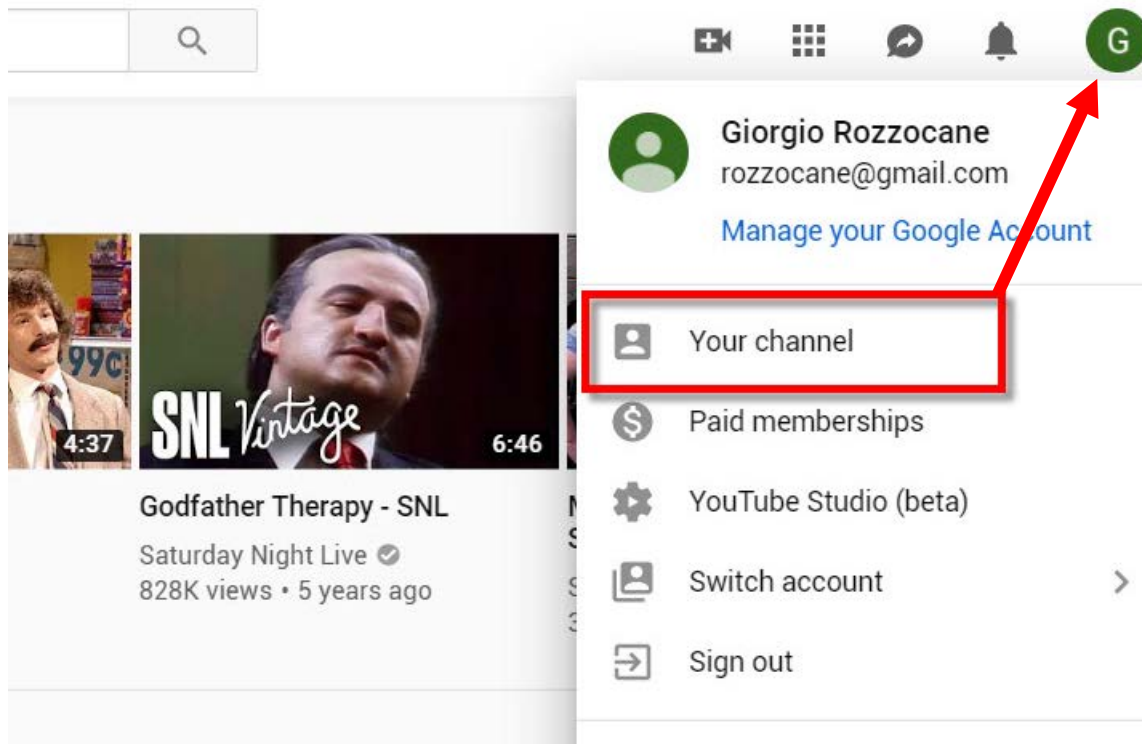
The screenshot shows the Google Account creation interface. At the top is the Google logo. Below it is the heading "Create your Google Account". There are two input fields for "First name" and "Last name". Below these is a single input field for "Username" with "@gmail.com" pre-filled. A note states "You can use letters, numbers & periods". A link "Use my current email address instead" is provided. Below are "Password" and "Confirm" fields, with an eye icon to toggle visibility. A note says "Use 8 or more characters with a mix of letters, numbers & symbols". At the bottom left is a link "Sign in instead" and at the bottom right is a blue "Next" button.

Now sign in to YouTube with your gmail login.

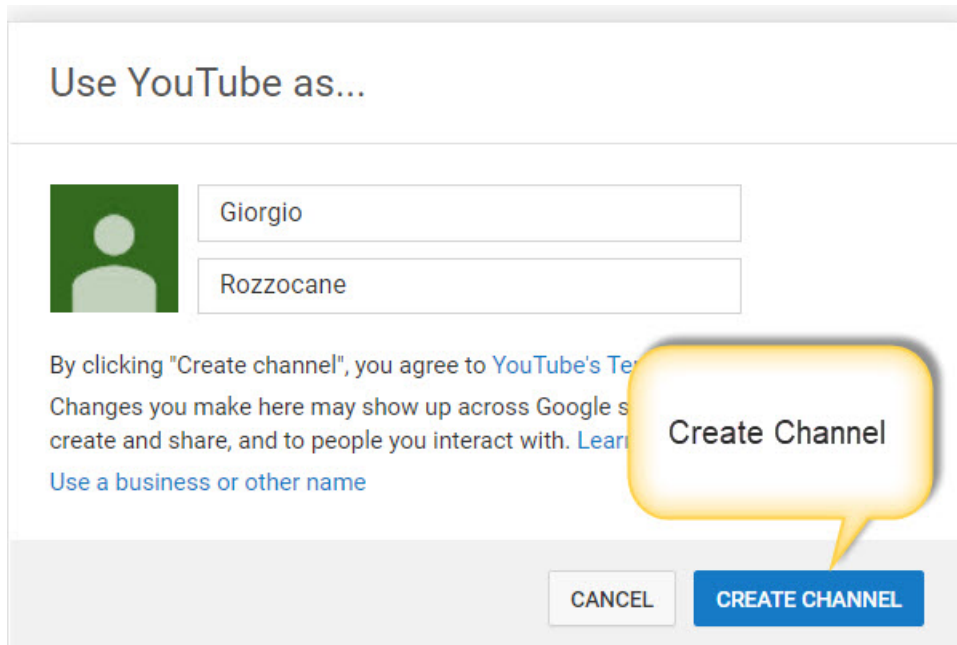


The screenshot shows the YouTube homepage. The navigation bar at the top includes a search icon, a camera icon, a grid icon, a share icon, and a menu icon. A red box highlights the "SIGN IN" button in the top right corner. Below the navigation bar, two video recommendations are shown. The first video is titled "100-EGG OMELET" from the series "MAKING IT BIG S1 • E6" with a duration of 15:25. The second video is titled "JIMMY AND NICKI MINAJ GO TO RED LOBSTER" featuring Nicki Minaj and Jimmy Fallon with a duration of 7:38. A right arrow icon is visible over the second video.

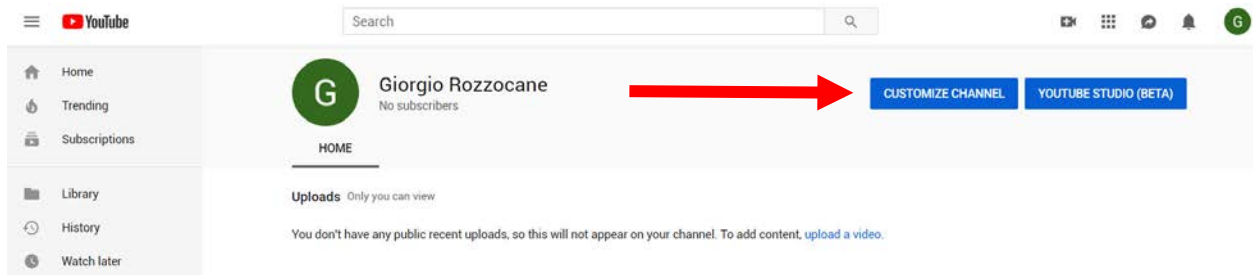
Clicking your profile icon on the top right corner reveals a drop down menu. Select **my channel**.



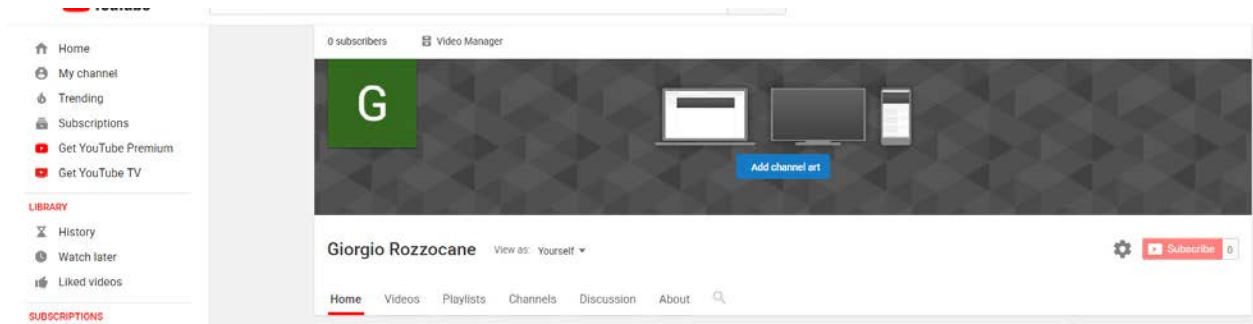
Click the **create channel button**.



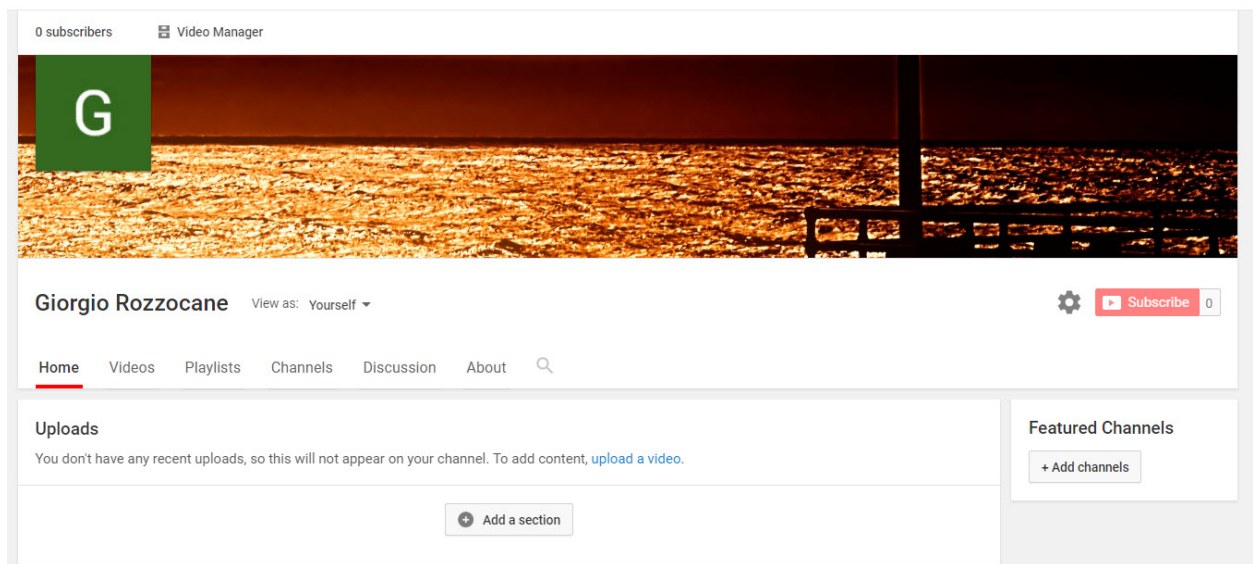
You may customize your channel



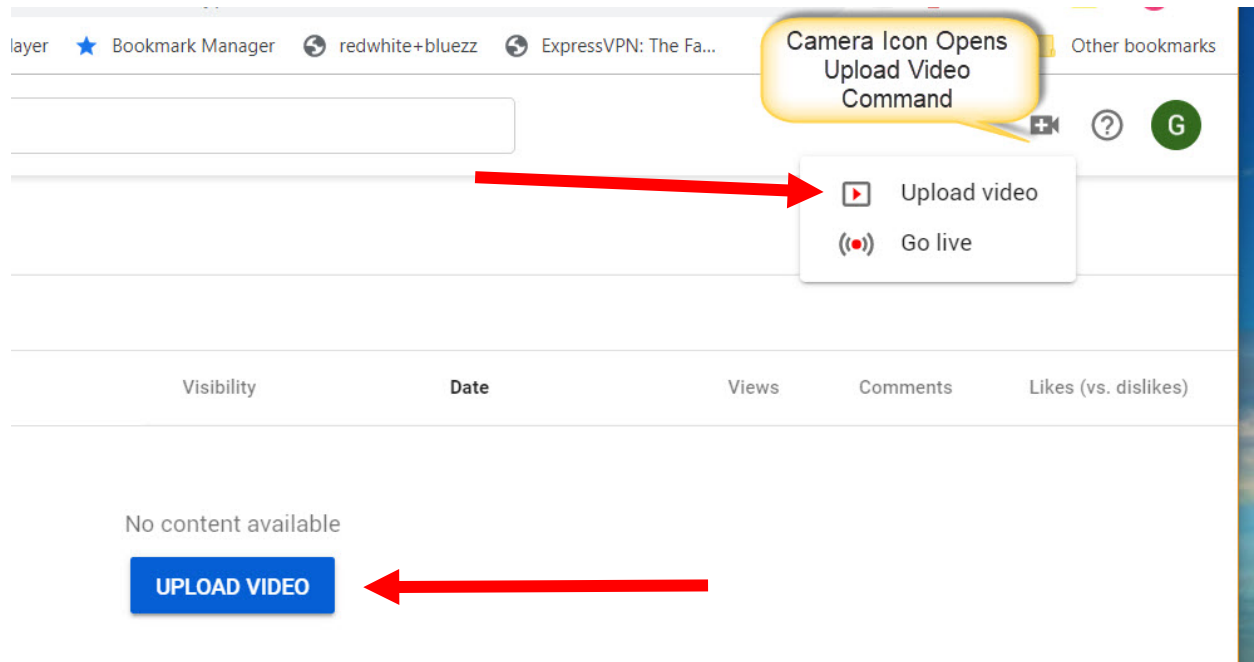
by adding photos or graphics to the page heading area. Click the **Add Channel Art** and then **drag** the graphic into the heading area.



As in this example



The channel page is ready. You can start uploading videos to this channel.



As you upload videos to your channel, they will appear with small thumbnail photos for each title.

