Online social space

Although it would have been easier with the move to online to focus only on the formal presentations, social opportunities are also very important, so we have also arranged for social and informal activities. More instructions and help will be available for you when you join, so this is just a very brief overview of what to expect.

The social space will open at 6pm today, 22 July, and remain open until 11pm on Sunday 2 August. If it goes well, this could become an ongoing feature of Autscape.

Platform

Autscape online social space will be on Discord, a text chat platform originally designed for gamers. The Autscape area (server) on Discord is self-contained, so it will only be Autscape people there. It is specific to this event and will close on the Monday after Autscape (3 August).

What is it for?

The Discord server is where you can go to socialise, have discussions, and it is the easiest way to schedule an informal event like a game or discussion that you want to run there on Discord or somewhere else (e.g. Zoom). You can also do this by emailing programme@autscape.org. It works mainly in text, but voice/video interaction is also possible. Informal activities can be any time the server is open, not only during the main event.

Procedure

You will need to make an account in order to join. You can use a made up name. An invite link is being sent to all registered participants along with this newsletter.

Once you’re connected, you will arrive in ‘registration’ where a moderator will find your name or ticket number on our list and then let you access the other channels (rooms).

Moderators

The Discord server has a group of moderators (mods) who have been selected and trained by Autscape. The overall organisers of the event are not automatically moderators. Moderators’ names are in blue. Ask them if you need any help.