AUTSCAPE

COUNTDOWN DAILY NEWSLETTER



27-30 July

To allow those who hear about us late to book, we are leaving booking open a bit longer, and it will now close at **midnight on Friday 24 July**.

Just one week to go!

It's been a difficult adjustment, but organisers are gearing up to make the richest possible online autistic conference.



Call for volunteers

We have record numbers booked to attend, but it won't feel like so many with it being online as there won't be any crowds. In order to help participants connect with a smaller group, we offer *optional* half hour daily meetings with a 'home group'. With so many people attending, we need some more facilitators for home groups. Induction and support is provided. If you might be interested in helping with this, please email: **programme@autscape.org**

Equipment for participating

Autscape will be held mainly using Zoom video conferencing software. We will send out all the links nearer the time. You can download Zoom in advance or on the day.

Computer or mobile device

Zoom can be accessed from nearly any device; however, the experience is notably better on laptops and desktops than it is on mobile devices, so if you have an option, we recommend using an actual computer. (Chrome OS works more like a mobile device in this respect.)

Internet connection

You will need a good internet connection. Using video over the internet uses a lot of bandwidth, so if you have the option to plug your computer into your router using a cable, it's worth doing that to get the most consistent experience. It will work on a good mobile connection, but will use a lot of data.

Audio

In order to participate using voice, you will need a microphone. Most Bluetooth headphones and some others have microphones built in, so check before buying one.

Webcam

If you want others to be able to see you, you will need a webcam. These are built into virtually all laptops and mobile devices, but not usually desktops. You don't have to use video, but it can help others to relate to and interact with you if you are in a small group with them.