What is Zoom?

Zoom is an application that enables you to take part in video meetings with other people, online. It can be downloaded to your computer, tablet or mobile phone for free, and if you have a camera and microphone on your device not only can you see and hear the other participants they can see and hear you. If you wish, though, you can turn off your camera and/or microphone.

The Society is using Zoom for its meetings this season. Members will receive an email containing a link to each event a few days before it takes place. All you have to do is click on the link to get access to the event.

If you do not have Zoom on your device, please follow the instructions below:

Download Zoom

If you have a PC or laptop (Windows and Mac)

1   Go to https://zoom.us/download. You can use any web browser to download Zoom.

2   Click **Download**. The browser and page automatically detects your operating system, and will download the appropriate Mac or Windows version.

3   Double-click the downloaded file to install Zoom. The file will open as either an Installation Wizard (for Windows) or a folder containing the Zoom application icon that you need to drag to your Application folder in Finder (for Mac).

4   Follow the on-screen instructions and Zoom will be installed on your computer.

If you have an Android mobile or tablet, or an Apple iPad or iPhone

1   Open the **Google Play Store** icon (on Android phone) or **App Store** icon (on Apple phone). You'll find these app stores on one of your Home screens, in the app drawer, or by searching.

2   Search for Zoom using the search bar at the top of the Google Play Store screen or in a tab with a magnifying glass at the bottom of the screen in the App Store.

         Tap the search result with the app icon that looks like a video camera inside a blue circle and lists "zoom.us" as the developer.

3   Tap **Install** or **Get**. The app will download and install, You'll see a progress bar that shows the app's installation progress; once finished, you'll find it's icon on one of your Home screens, in the app drawer, or by searching.

Following installation, you'll be prompted to create an account. An account is only required if you want to initiate your own meetings and send invitations to participants. For information on this go to one of the links below:

For Windows and Mac: https://support.zoom.us/hc/en-us/articles/201362033-Getting-Started-on-Windows-and-Mac

For Apple phones and iPads: https://support.zoom.us/hc/en-us/articles/201362993-Getting-Started-with-iOS

For Android phones: https://support.zoom.us/hc/en-us/articles/200942759-Getting-Started-with-Android