

Zoom

You can access Zoom using a computer (you will need a built in camera and microphone, or a webcam enabled) or using a tablet or mobile.

Stewart will send you a link to a meeting by email. When you receive it there will be a link to click, or you can open the Zoom programme and enter the Meeting ID and Password manually.

Stewart Hardy is inviting you to a scheduled Zoom meeting.

Topic: Ali Say's Fiddle Lesson with Stewart
Time: Mar 25, 2020 04:00 PM London

Join Zoom Meeting
<https://us04web.zoom.us/j/884931466?pwd=bytyLzJvdK5qM3N4K3hUTE9rVGVoZzxx>

Meeting ID: 884 931 xxx
Password: 0064xx

If you are using a laptop or desktop computer:

Click on the link you have been sent and you will be redirected to download the Zoom software if you haven't previously done so. If you need help with this, please see below (Installing Zoom). If you have installed it, click Open Zoom when prompted. You will be taken to a Waiting Room until Stewart enters the meeting.

If you have the software client already open, select Join, enter the Meeting ID you have been given and your name, and click Join.

Join the meeting with Audio and Video enabled. If they aren't, hover over the Zoom software screen and use the icons in the bottom left corner to turn them on. If you have Enabled Original Sound in your audio settings (see "Check your Zoom settings" below), you should "Turn on Original Sound" so it is blue.

If you are using a tablet, iPad or mobile phone:

You will need to download the 'ZOOM Cloud Meetings' App from Google Play or the AppStore.

Click on the link you have been sent by email, or type the meeting number into the Join Meeting box, along with your name and the password. Leave the two check boxes blank (or the sliders off) for 'Do not connect to audio' and 'Turn off my video'. Click Join.

Check your Zoom settings (on a Laptop/Computer):

Click on your image (top right corner) to bring up Options.

Click Settings.

Video:

It is useful to make sure the "Mirror My Video" is unchecked (This might look odd to you as you are used to seeing yourself in the mirror, but it will stop you appearing to play the fiddle left-handed!)

Audio:

Microphone: You can test this level - it will probably need to be reduced for fiddle playing. Uncheck the "Automatically adjust volume" box and move the slider to the left.

- **Click Advanced:**

Check the box to "Show in-meeting option to 'Enable Original Sound'"

Suppress Persistent Background noise: DISABLE

Suppress Intermittent Background noise: DISABLE

Leave Echo cancellation on Auto.

These should help with the quality of your audio for fiddle lessons.

Installing Zoom

You can download the software or app to your desktop or device before you are wanting to use it, if you would like to test it.

For the desktop client use:

zoom.us/support/download

Save the ZoomInstaller.exe file and run it.

Skype

Stewart will suggest that you place a video call to him at your lesson time, when you are set up and ready to start.

If you don't have Skype you need to set it up in advance:

For laptop or desktop: Visit <https://www.skype.com/en/get-skype/> "Get Skype for..." Select appropriate platform and Download the software. Follow the instructions for running the file on your computer.

For tablet or mobile: Visit the AppStore for Apple devices or Google Play for Android. Search for Skype and select "Skype – free IM & video calls"

Before your first Skype lesson Stewart will send you an "Invitation to Chat on Skype" by email so that you can connect easily and add him to your Contacts list.

On a laptop/desktop:

Click on the link in the email and Skype will launch.

Click on Stewart's name in the list in the left hand bar.

In the top right corner of the screen, click the video camera icon to start a video call.

Check your settings:

Click your own name/photo (top left)

Scroll down to Settings

Select Audio & Video. You should see an image from your camera. If not, follow the troubleshooting instructions.

You might need to reduce your microphone settings. Uncheck "Automatically adjust microphone settings" and move the slider to the left.

On a tablet or mobile:

The first time you connect with Stewart, click the link in the email and choose to open the Skype App. This should take you to Stewart's profile. For future calls, open the app, choose Chats, Calls or Contacts from the bottom bar, click on Stewart's name.

In the top right corner, click the video camera icon to start a video call.