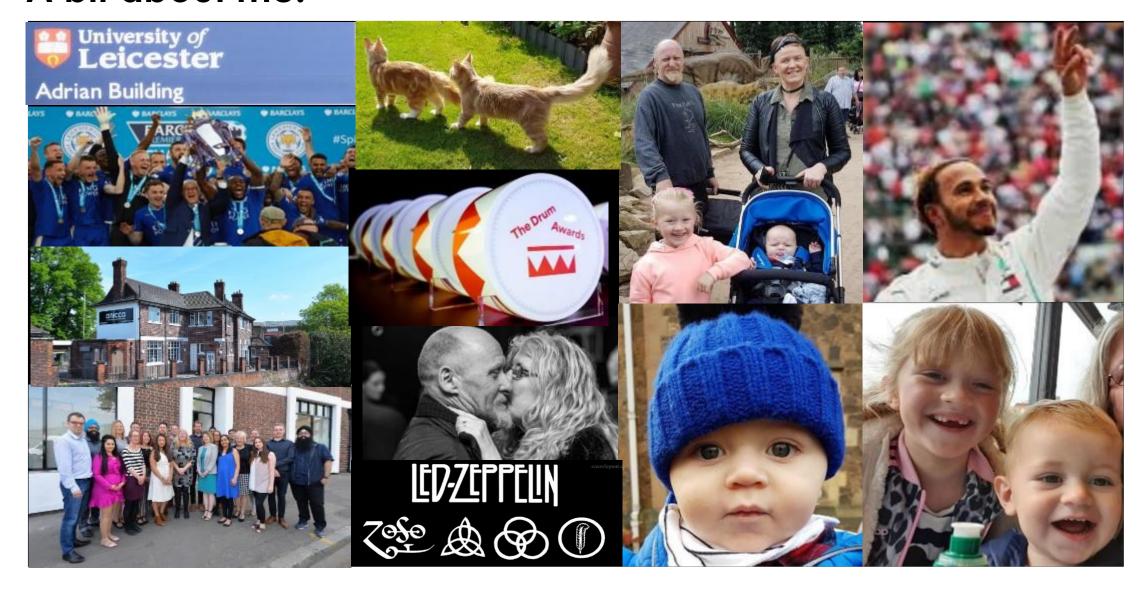


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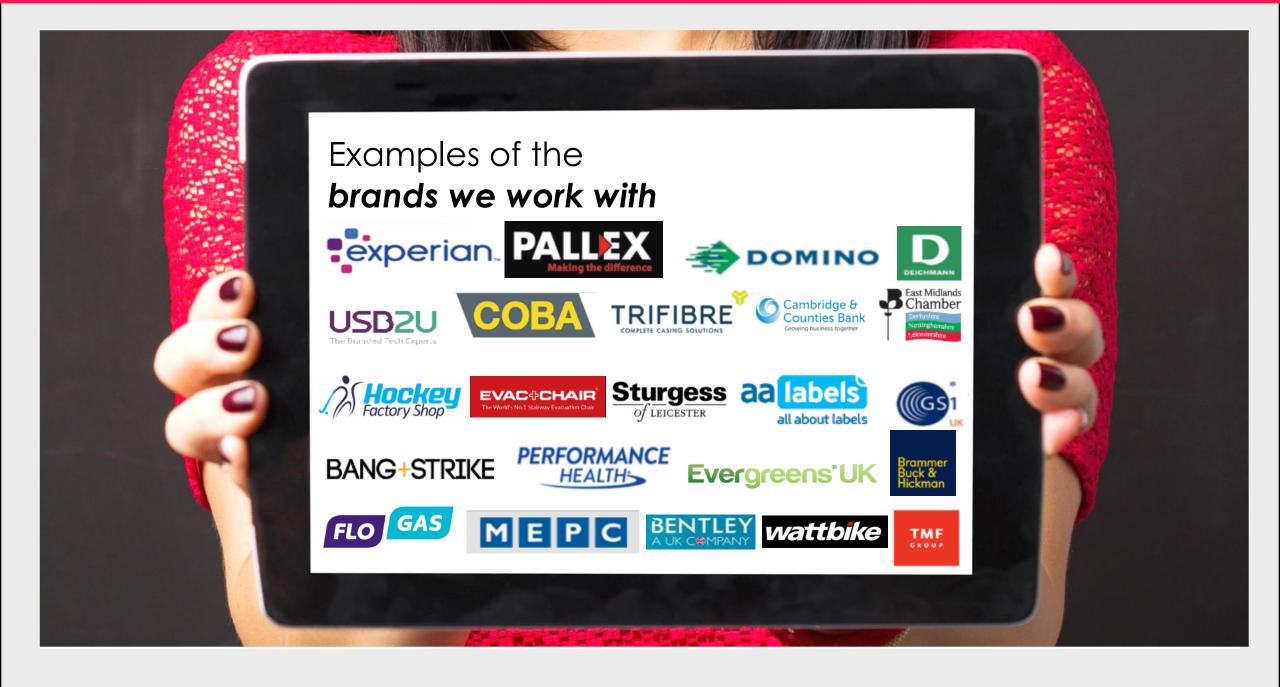
By Ann Stanley 3rd July 2020



A bit about me!







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Introduction to running webinars



Difference between webinars and other virtual events

Business meeting or live group

 Private with personal interaction, it is collaborative, so used for team meetings, networking etc. e.g. Skype, Google Hangouts/Meet, Teams, Zoom,

Webinar/virtual conference

 Need to register, someone is presenting to an audience (passively watching), used for education or marketing/selling, typically a bigger audience than a live group – can be free or paid-for event e.g. GoToWebinar

Evergreen or automated

 Feels live but is pre-recorded – can't interact but you can get information from when it was previously recorded live – often used in a sales funnel, so registration is required

Live stream

 Public or open – anyone can wander in – no registration, usually it is for entertainment, reach very large audience, offered by YouTube and Facebook etc.

Why run webinars?

- Main uses of webinars and virtual events
 - Education and training
 - Marketing and promotion
 - Sales
- Reasons to run your own business webinar or virtual event
 - Event management
 - To replace live events or training
 - To reduce costs of a live event
 - Option of hybrid events present live with content live streamed to a wider audience
 - A new revenue stream

Sales and marketing

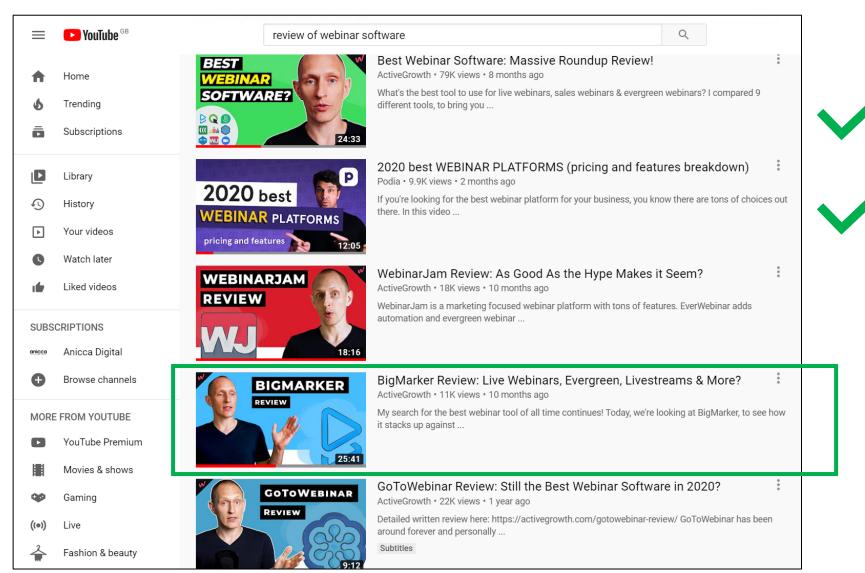
- Altruistic to be helpful
- To develop your brand and reputation as a thought leader or expert
- A new channel to market your products or services
- To reach a larger audience (further afield)
- To get more interaction and an engaged following (repeat attendees)
- More sales can also be used as part of an automated sales funnel



Selection of software



Do your research?





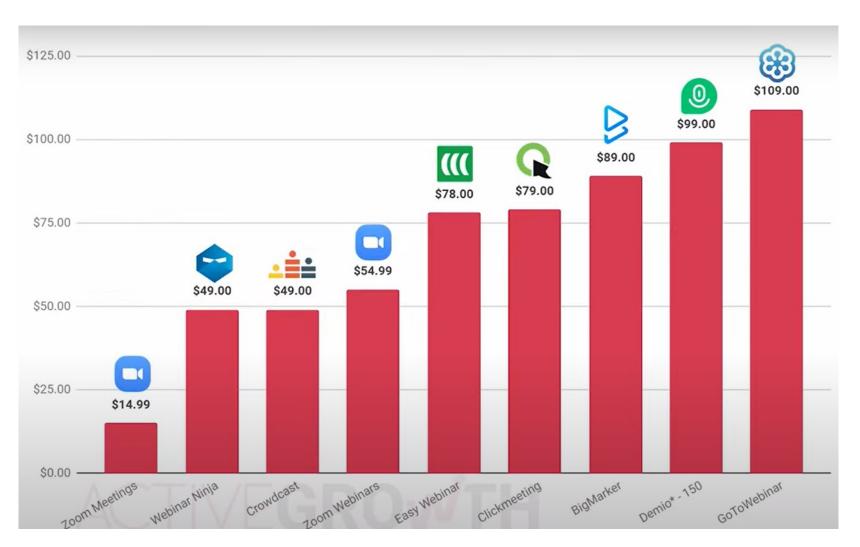
Reviews of webinar platforms

		Podio	Active Growth
Zoom (free & professional)	https://zoom.us/	~	
Google Meet	https://meet.google.com		
Clickmeeting	https://clickmeeting.com/		
Demio	https://demio.com/		
WebinarNinja	https://webinarninja.com/	\	
Webinarjam	https://home.webinarjam.com/index		
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CrowdCast	https://www.crowdcast.io		/
EasyWebinar	https://easywebinar.com/		/
BigMarker	https://www.bigmarker.com/		



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Comparative price (from Active Growth's video)



Price comparison based on paying monthly for 100 attendees (2019)



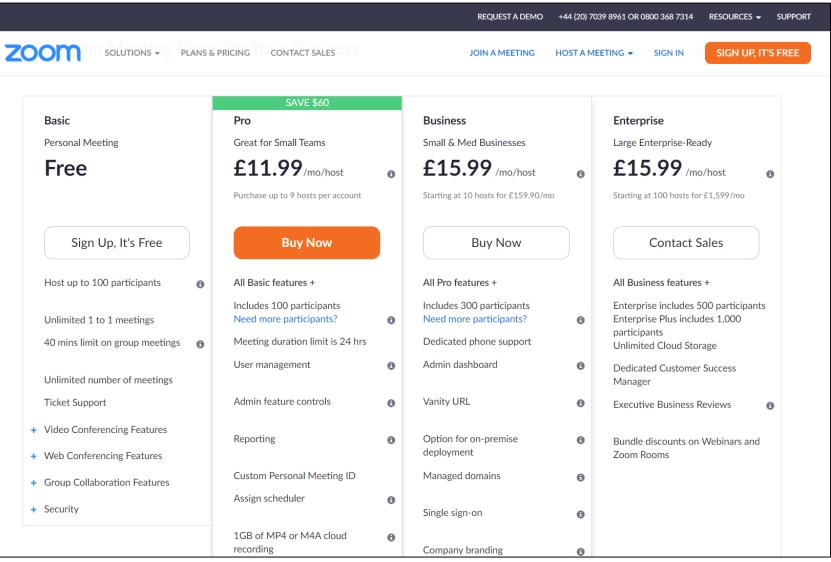
Recommended platforms from Active Growth reviews

Platform	Price (Pay Monthly)	Pay annually	Advantages	Disadvantages
Zoom	Pro (100 attendees) = £11.99/month + optional webinar module £32/month	Pro (100 attendees) = £119.99 Optional webinar module = £320 Both = £439.99	Very cheap	No marketing features – webinar add-on is not worth the extra
BigMarker	Starter (100 attendees) Pay Monthly \$99 = £79/month	Starter (100 attendees) \$948 = £757	Best "jack of all trades" lots of event management and marketing features, quite sophisticated	More expensive at \$99 per month (\$79/month when purchased annually)
Webinar Jam	Not available	Basic (500 attendees) \$499 = £398	Focused on marketing features	Can't pay monthly - even though it is the cheapest



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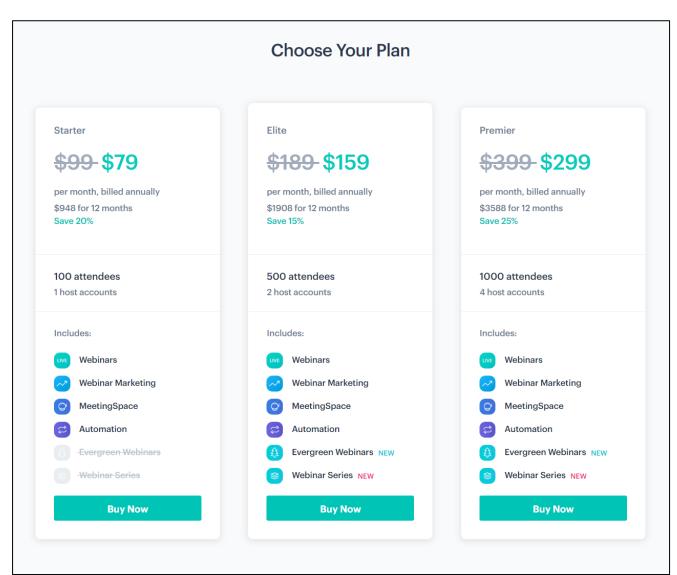
What about Zoom?



- If you want the cheapest package then use Zoom, however it lacks many marketing and other functions
- Reviewers do not think the extra "webinar module" is worth the additional £32/month i.e. min of £43.99



BigMarker packages



Why we selected BigMarker:

- Sessions can last 4-hours, rather than 2-hours for most packages (so it will also work for training courses)
- Great marketing features
- You can present uploaded slides (allowing you to view chat/Q&A), as well as videos and screen-sharing
- Can easily co-host with other presenters

Choosing your package

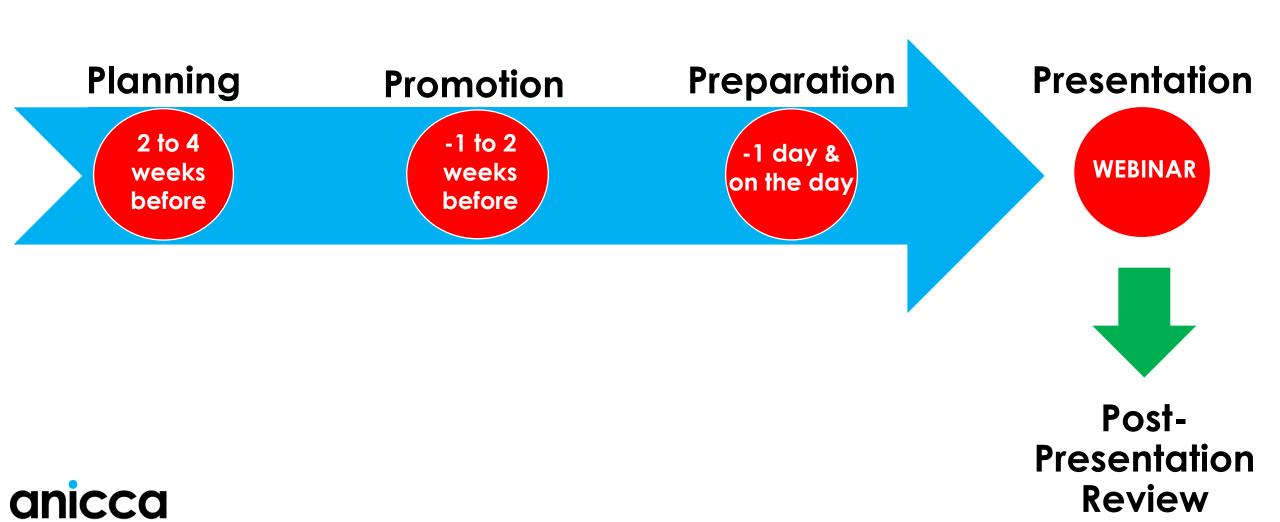
- Begin with the "Starter" package this has most features you will need
- You can opt to pay monthly \$99 (vs \$79 if you pay for a year)
- Upgrade once you exceed 100 attendees (approx. 175 registrations) or if you need longer than 4-hour sessions



Time-line for setting up & hosting your own webinar



5 P's to planning and presenting your webinar



Our time-line

Day	Day of the week	Activity
0	Friday	Present webinar and email out video
-1	Thursday	Reminder email sent from BigMarker Slides received from presenter(s)
-2	Wednesday	Email sent from Anicca
-3	Tuesday	Reminder email sent from BigMarker Social media posts (LinkedIn, Twitter, Facebook) Anicca email prepared
-4	Monday	First email sent from BigMarker, Set-up and launch email from meetup.com
-9	Wednesday	Mentioned in Anicca's previous email
-10	Tuesday	Website updated with link Email prepared
-11	Monday	Create assets, webinar & landing page
-14	Friday	Presenter provides title, description & topics
-21	Friday	Schedule agreed for future webinars





Planning and preparation – overview of tasks

- Get brief of webinar with date and description from yourselves
- Create graphics using agreed template and imagery
- Create webinar within BigMarker
- Create landing / registrations page within BigMarker see
 example https://www.bigmarker.com/anicca-digital/Digital-Marketing-Tasks-You-Can-Do-In-Your-Pyjamas
- Update your website with webinar widget or by adding image and link see examples on https://anicca.co.uk/webinars-videos/
- You will then need to get details of the other presenters and upload their contact details and send them an invitation to upload their bio





Promotion tasks

Email (from BigMarker)

- Upload your existing contacts/emails to the BigMarker top level "channel list"
- Promote the webinar by sending out an email from BigMarker
- Build a list of people that registered (and either attend or did not attend the webinar) –
 these should be added back to the channel list

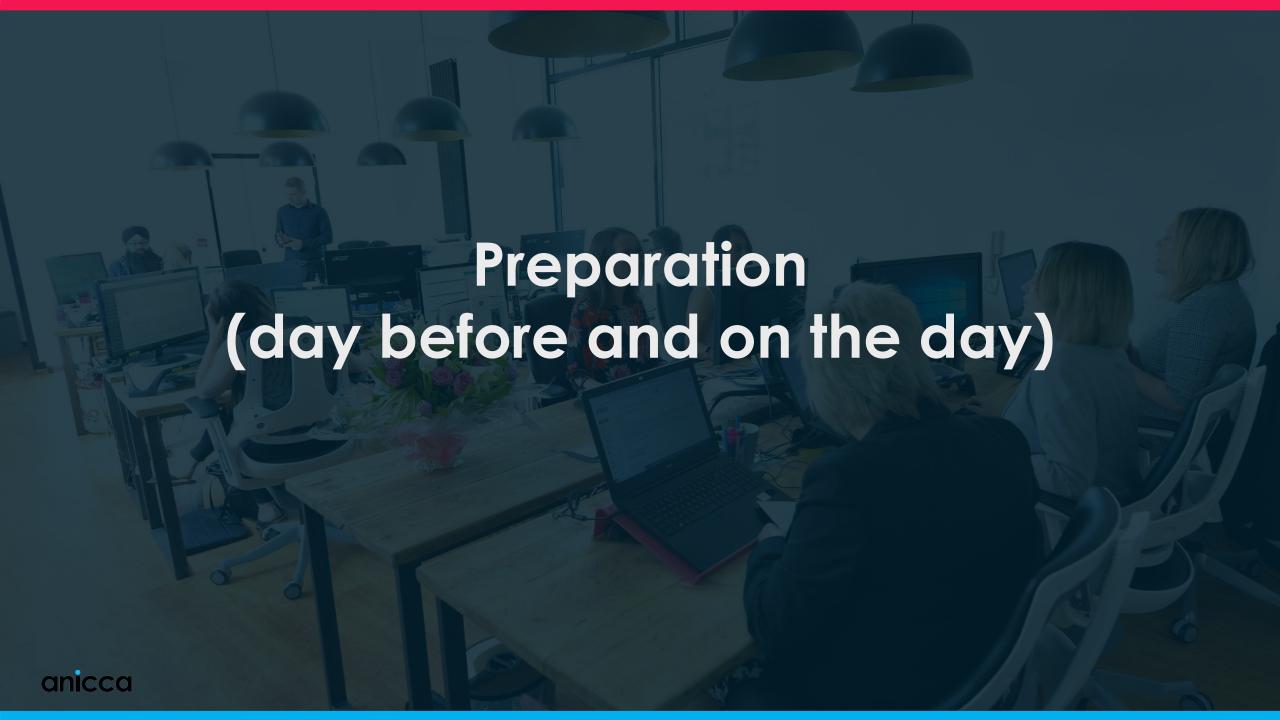
Email (from your company)

- Create a company email from Mail Chimp (or similar) using an agreed template
- Link to the landing pages for the current and following webinar (use tracked links = utm)

Social media and other routes

- Create a **LinkedIn event** and promote this
- Set-up Facebook event create Facebook ad to promote the Facebook event
- Create a new meeting in Meetup.com and launch meeting
- Promote webinar through any other of your networks e.g. network groups, YouTube





Prior to the webinar

Day before

- Get the presentation (pdf version) and upload pdf to webinar room
- Get details of any **polls** and create these
- Do demo to presenters to train them how to use the software
- Stop ads
- Set-up the test webinar room

On the day – half an hour before attendees join

- Open the webinar room for presenters (they have their own login)
- Check pdf has been loaded (go to "Slides", you should see the file, you will need to click on the "open" button, so it loads into the main webinar viewing screen)
- Check or create the Polls
- Check or create the Offers requires graphics
- Leave a sticky welcome message in the chat





Going-Live checklist

- Open webinar for attendees and welcome them
- Get attendees to leave a message in the chat, check they can hear you and make shout-outs to regulars, clients and staff etc
- **Explain webinar opening procedure** i.e. that at the published start time, you will start recording. You will welcome everyone and then run the polls, before handing over to the presenter
- Mention that the video is being recorded and that they will receive a copy of the video later or they can go to the webinar page on the company site to listen to recordings of previous webinars
- Start recording at agreed time
- Do introductions
- Launch polls by making them live (one at a time), reading out the questions and answers, so it is recorded in the video (you may want to do another poll later in the presentation as required)
- Introduce presenters and hand over to the presenters



During the webinar

- Manage chat and Q& A as required (this may be best done by having 2
 presenters, with one talking and one handling the Q&A)
- At the last but one slide, use the offers functionality
 - You go to the offers tab (top right of the menu)
 - Chose your first offer, and tick the box to pin it to the top of the chat
 - You then launch it, so a pop-up appears on yours and the attendee's screens
 - If you have time, you can also launch the other offers but don't pin them as well

Closing-down the webinar

- Show final slide advertising next weeks webinar, thank them for attending and say we will see them next week
- Remind them that they will get the recording later today
- End presentation (in black right hand bar at the bottom)
- End recording (in black bar second tab labelled recording)





Post-webinar tasks

Video

- Process recording and send to everyone in the database this involves:
 - Check the video is processing whirling image on the manage page
 - Wait for video to stop processing (usually a couple of hours)
 - Capture a screen grab from the beginning of the video, (when you can see starter screen and happy presenters)
 - Publish the video and email it to registered, attendees and whole list
- Edit website by adding recording widget (add following week's webinar details)
- Upload video to your YouTube channel

Data and report

- Download data and analytics
- Provide mini-report (if required)

Repeat webinar set-up for next webinar



Demo and more details



Planning - creating your assets





Landing page image (1114 x 320) – modify previous image using canva.com







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"Digital Marketing You Can Do In Your Lab Coat"





Advertising image (360 x 200)



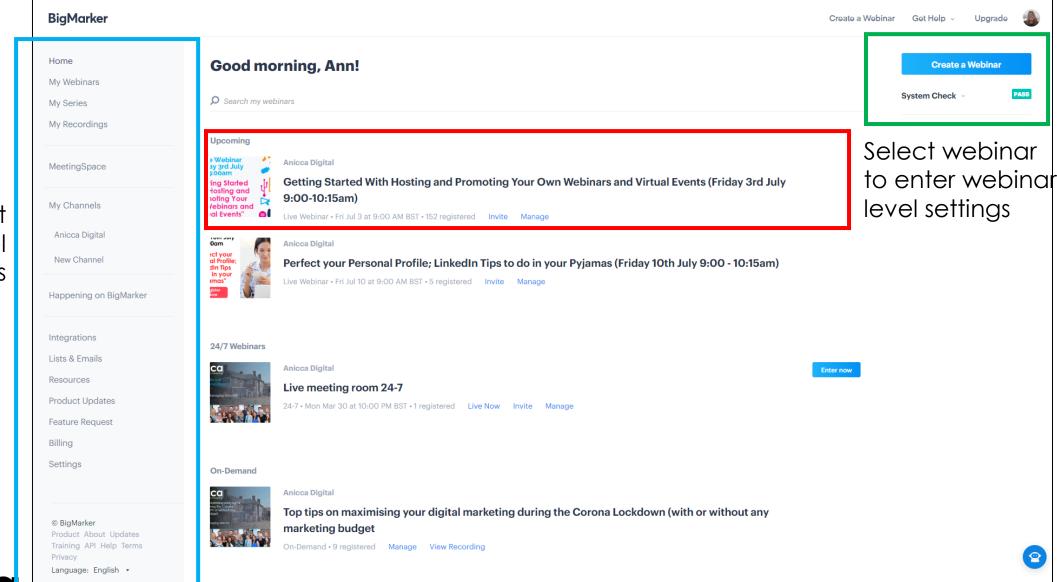






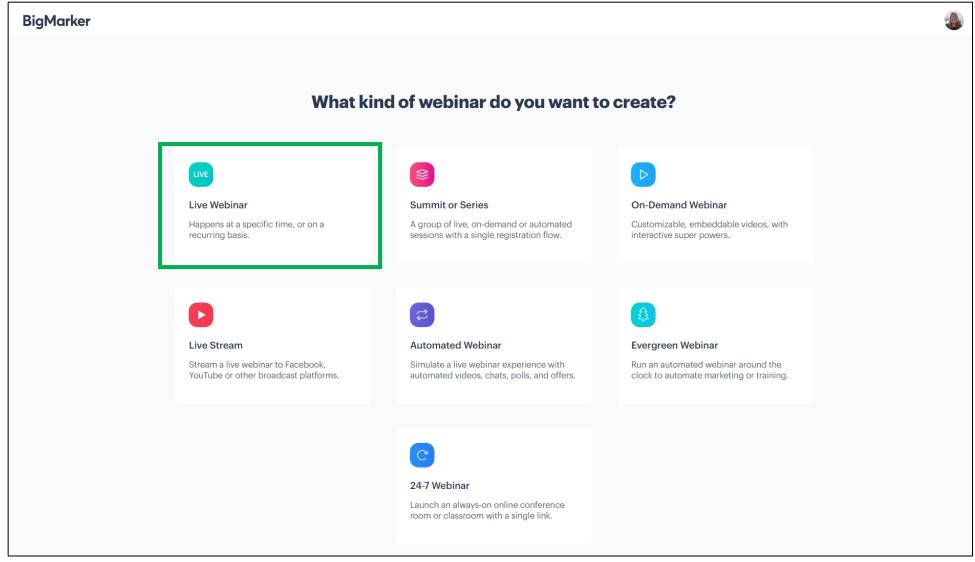


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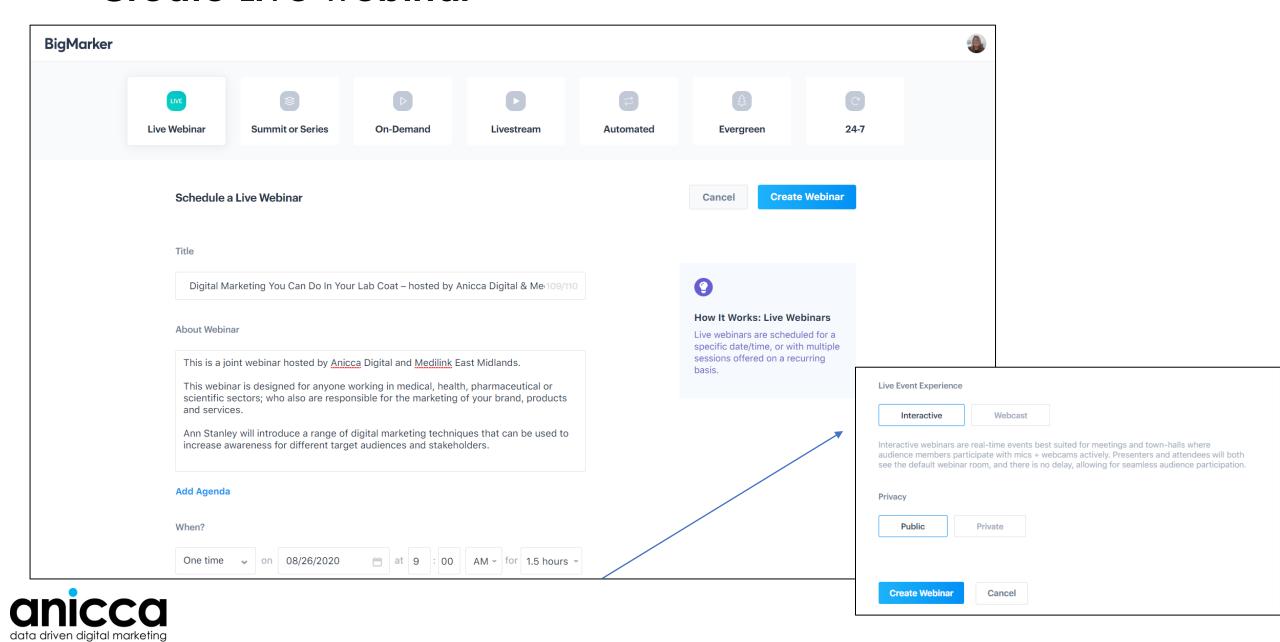
Account level settings

Select webinar type

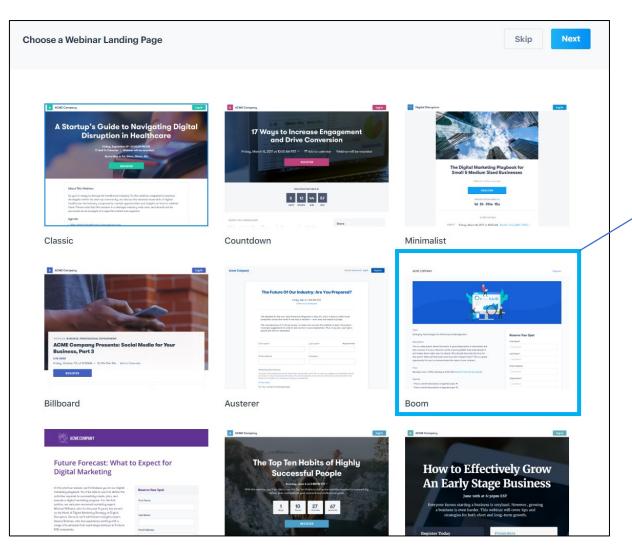


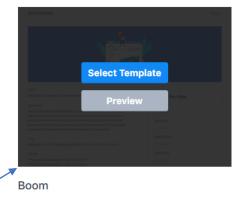


Create Live webinar



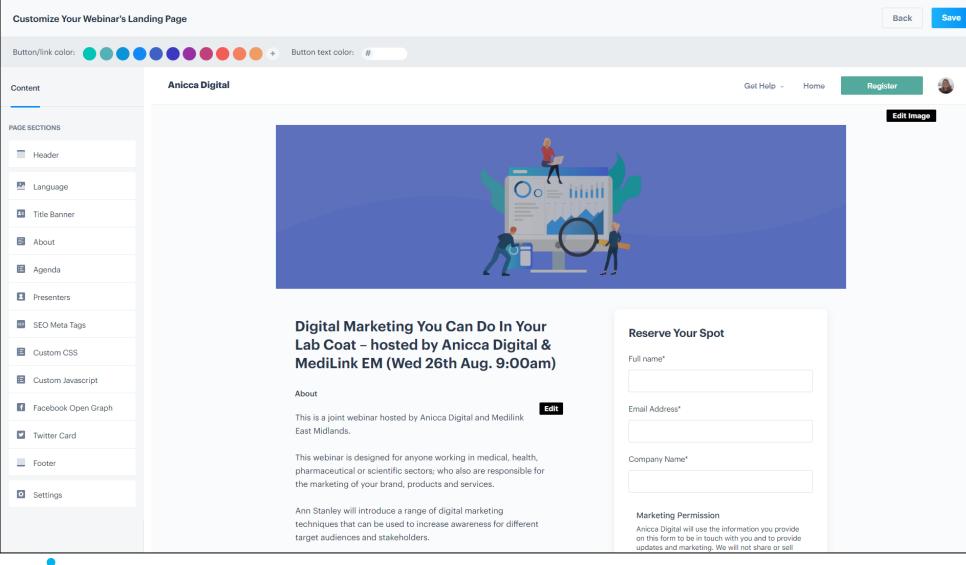
Select landing page template







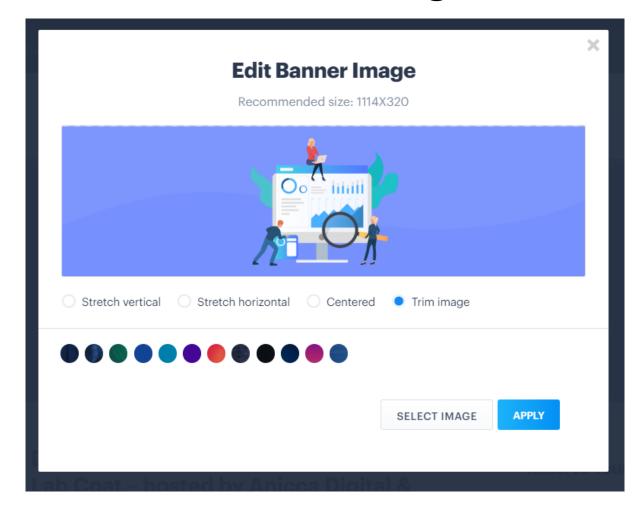
Landing page customisation

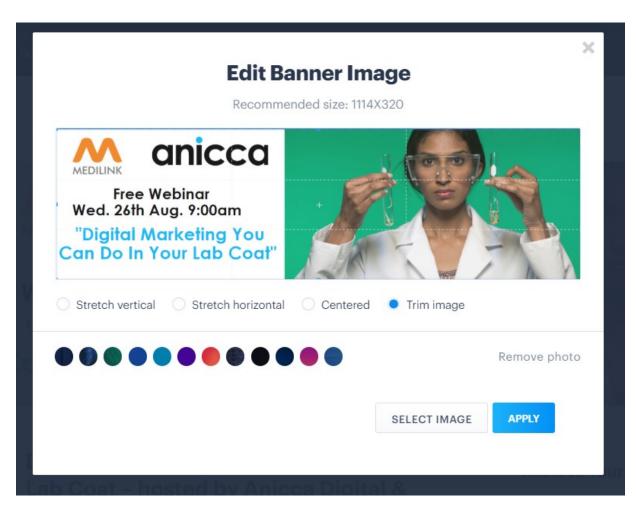


- Change graphic on the landing page
- You can also edit text or add agenda items from this screen



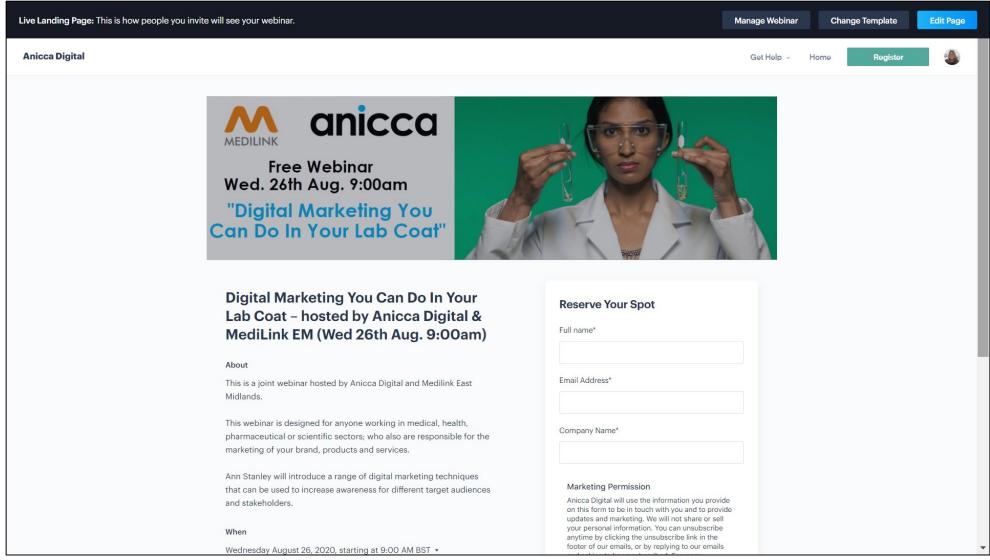
Edit header image





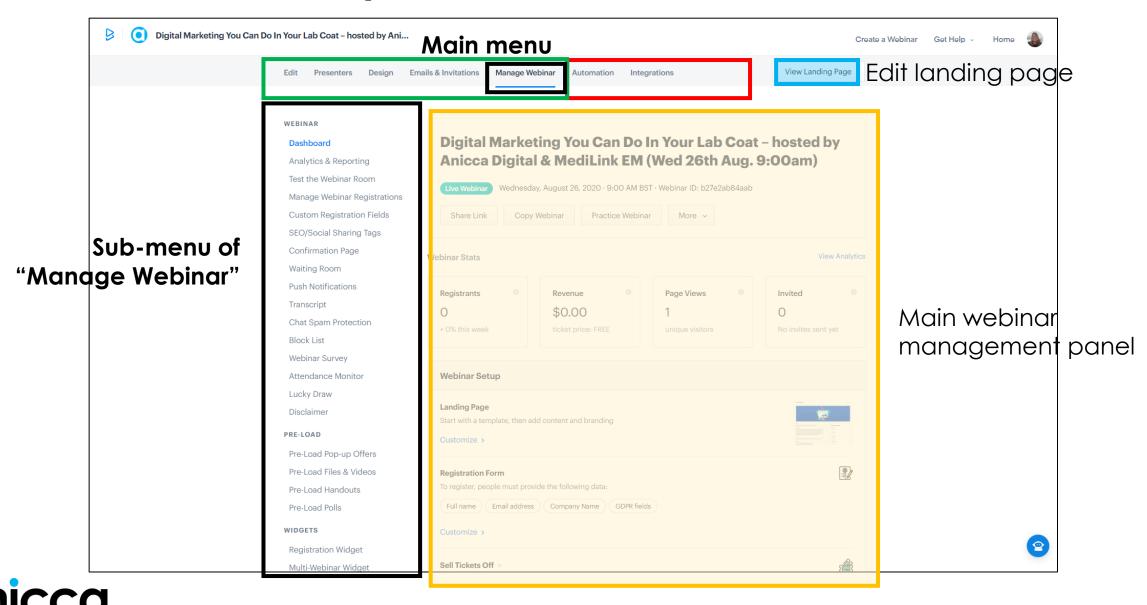


Landing page with header

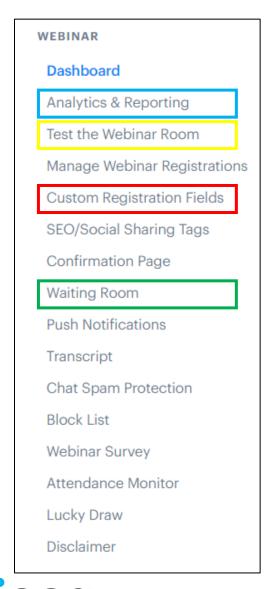


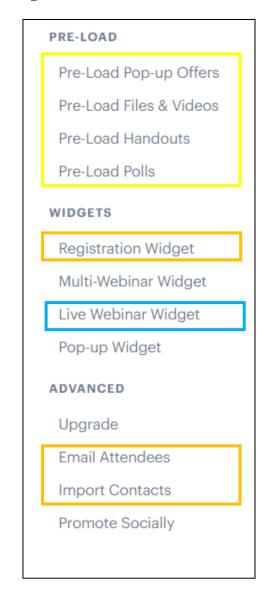


Dashboard for specific webinar



Dashboard – menu options for "Manage webinar"





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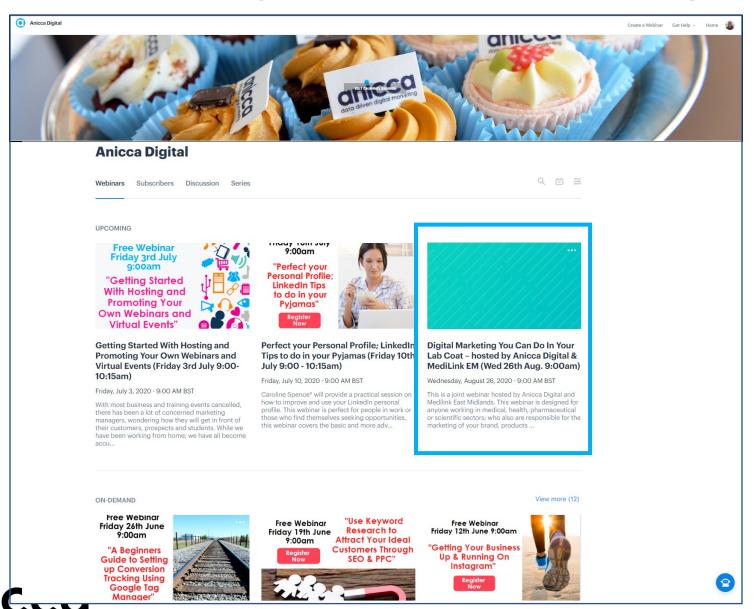
Preparation

Presentation

Post-Webinar



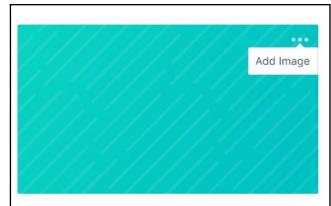
Anicca's BigMarker Channel page



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- You will have already created and modified your channel page when you first get the software (i.e. add logos, images, host details etc.)
- After creating a new webinar, you will need to change the image for that webinar (this can be edited on the page or in the "Design menu" within the webinar dashboard)

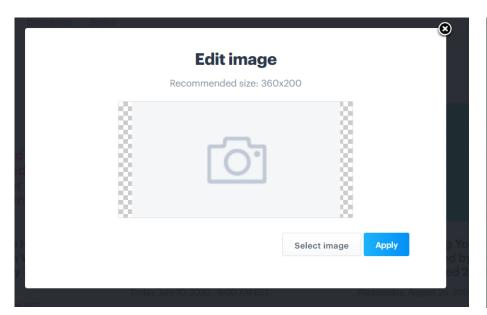
Add image to channel page

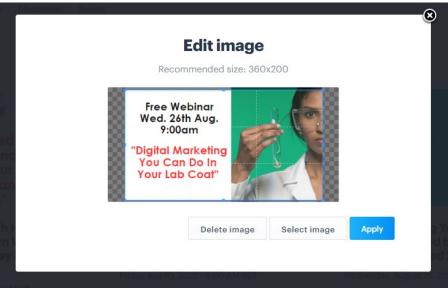


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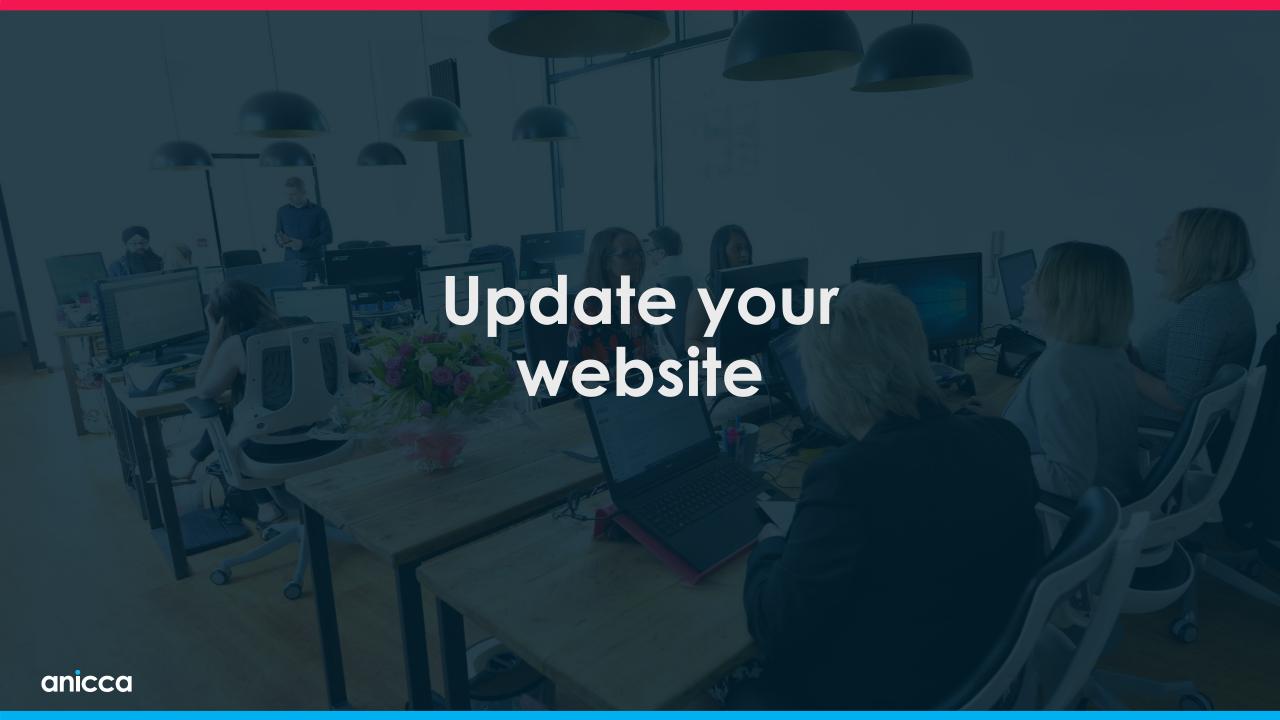
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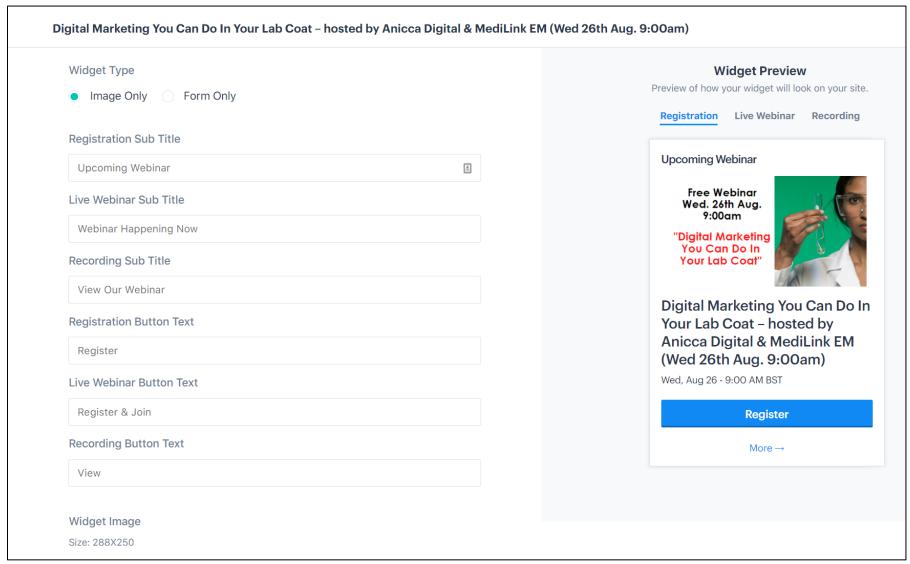


Promotion – key activities





Get webinar widget (code) and add to your website





Add an image and a tagged URL to your website





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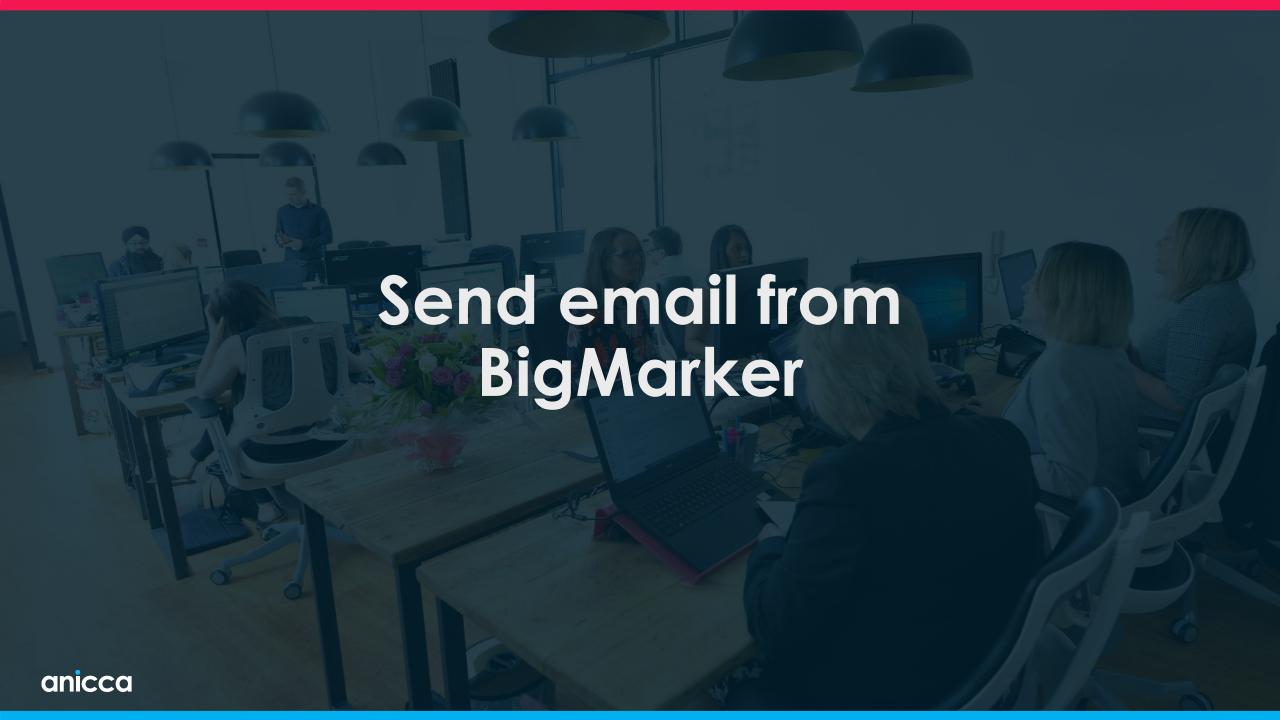
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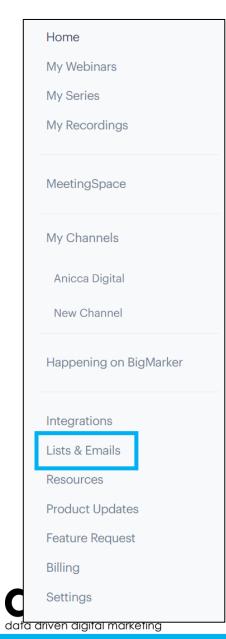






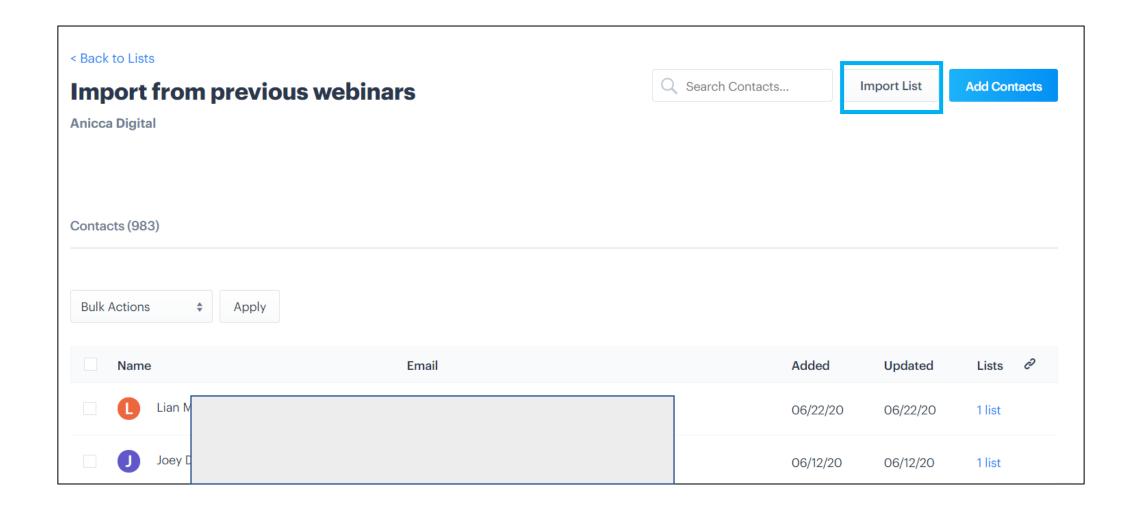


Email lists in your Channel menu (top level)



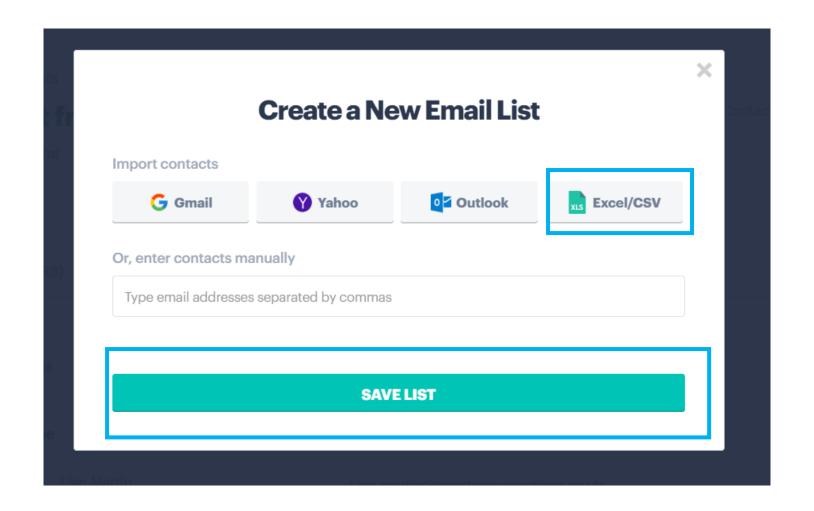
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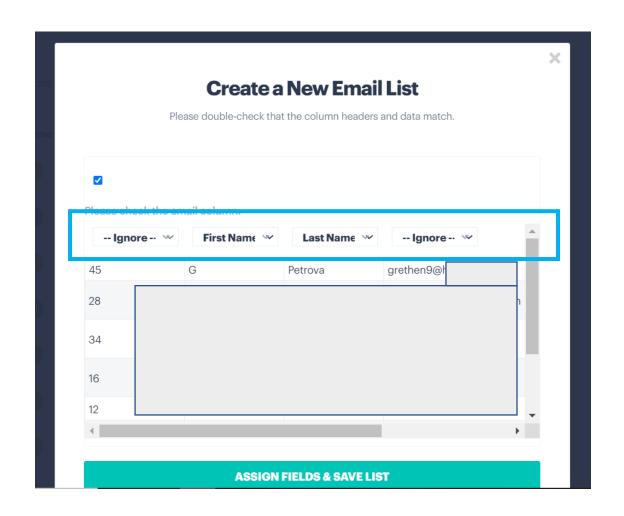


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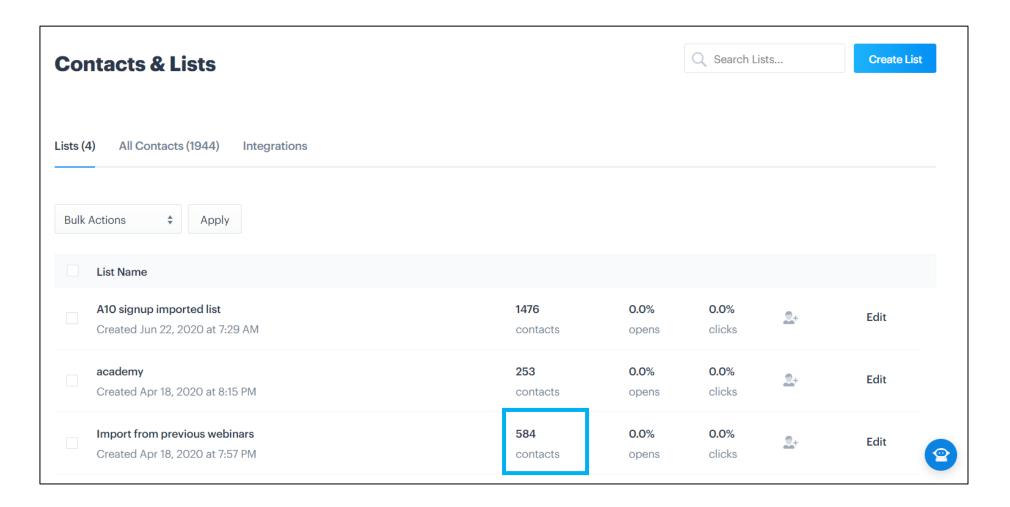


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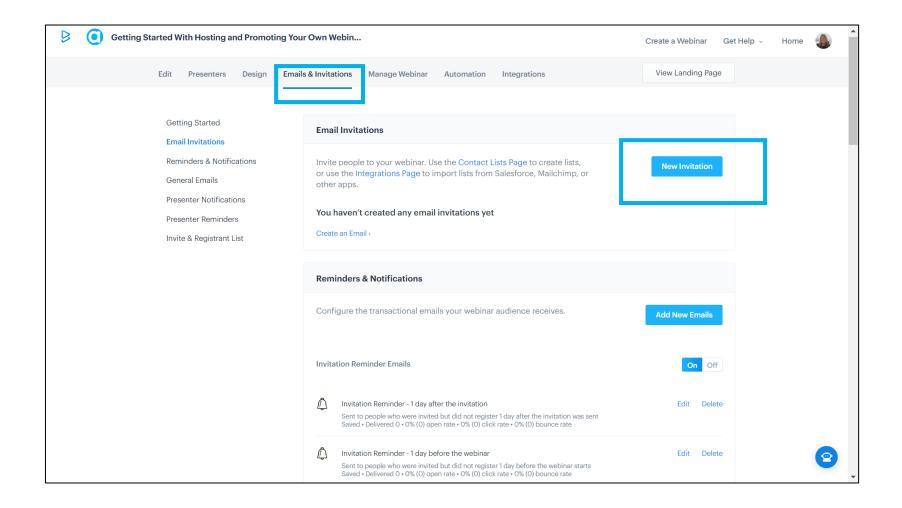


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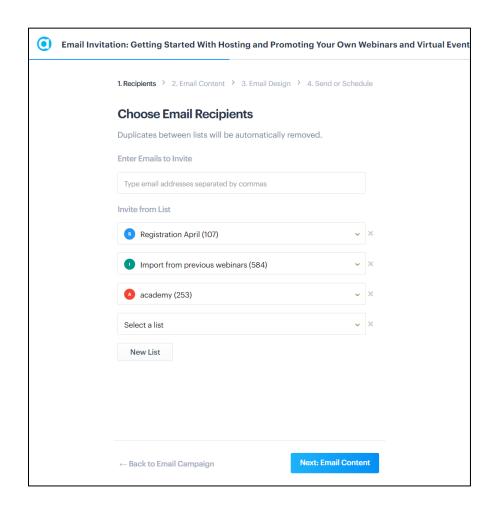


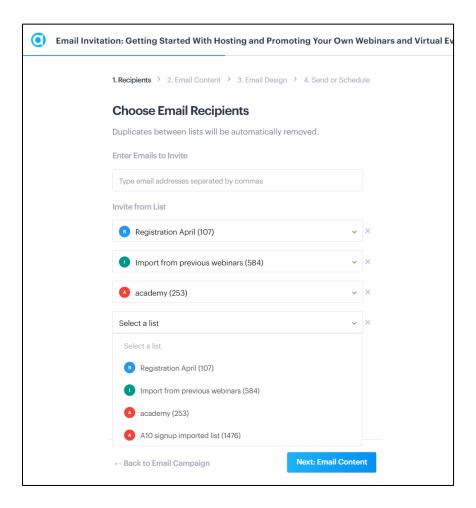
Go to the webinar dashboard – Email & invitation menu





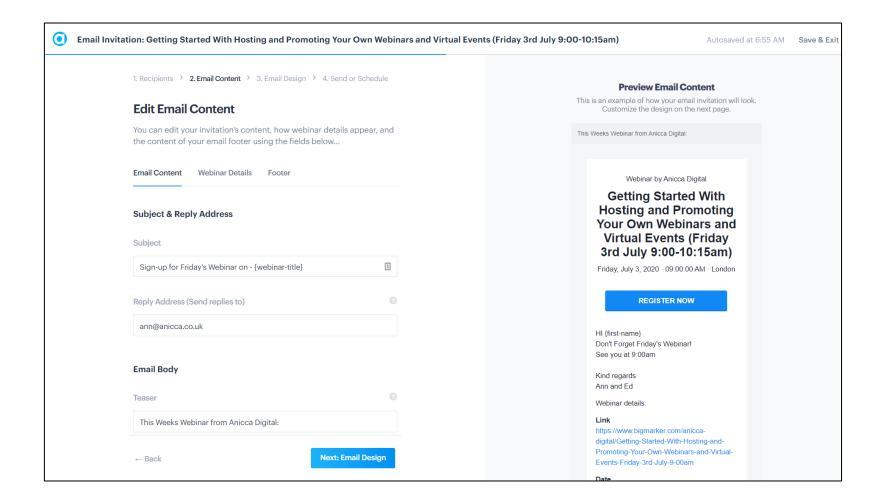
Creating your email through BigMarker – select your lists





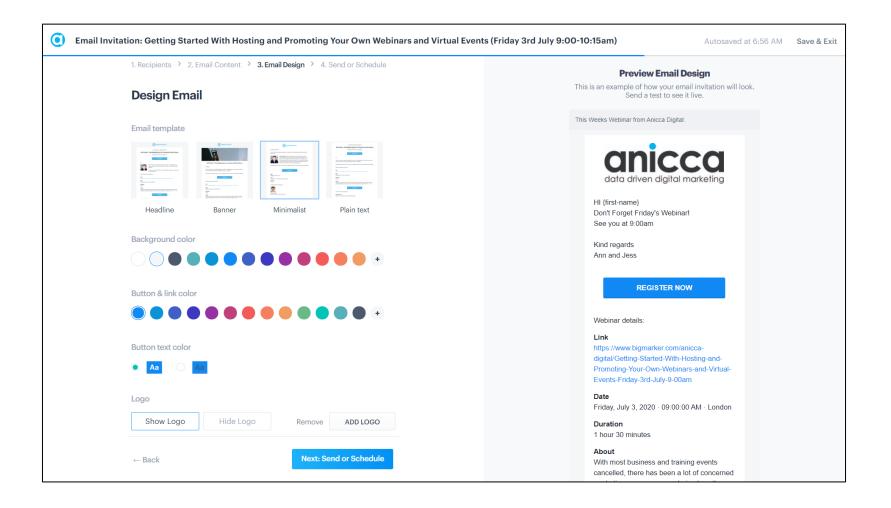


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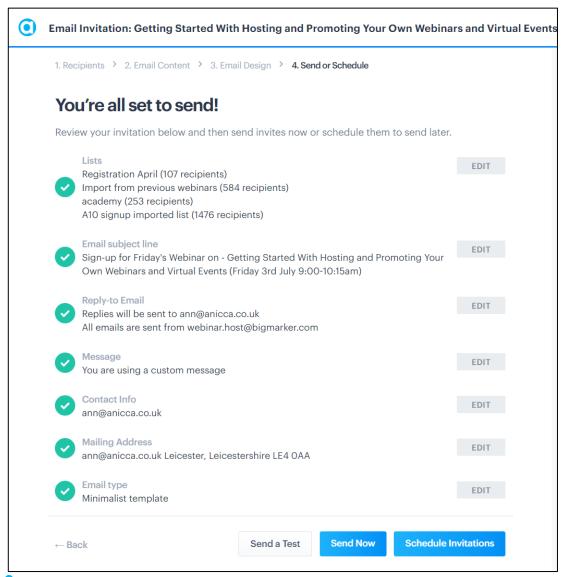


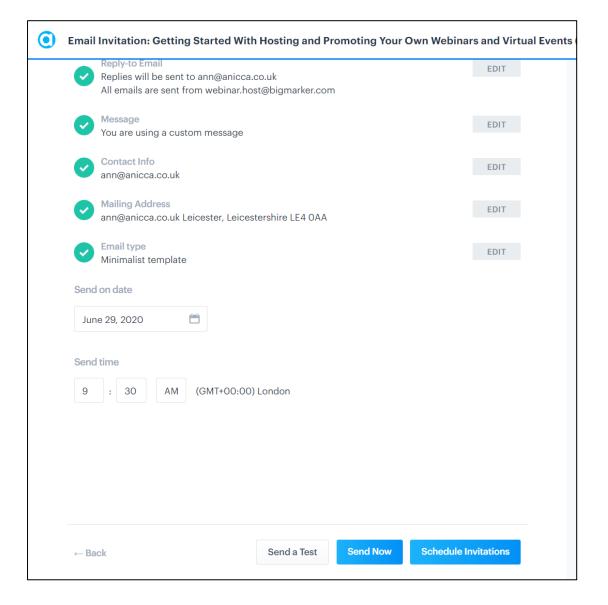
Modify the email design





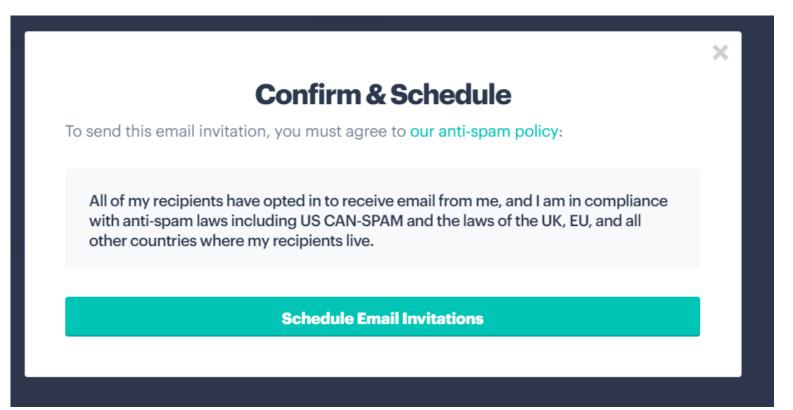
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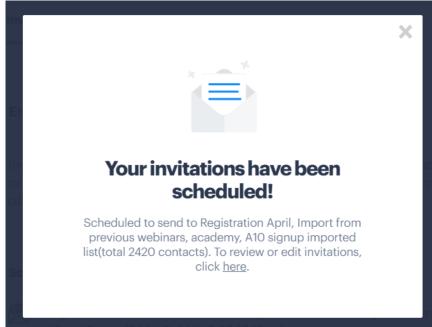






Send or schedule the broadcasting of the email



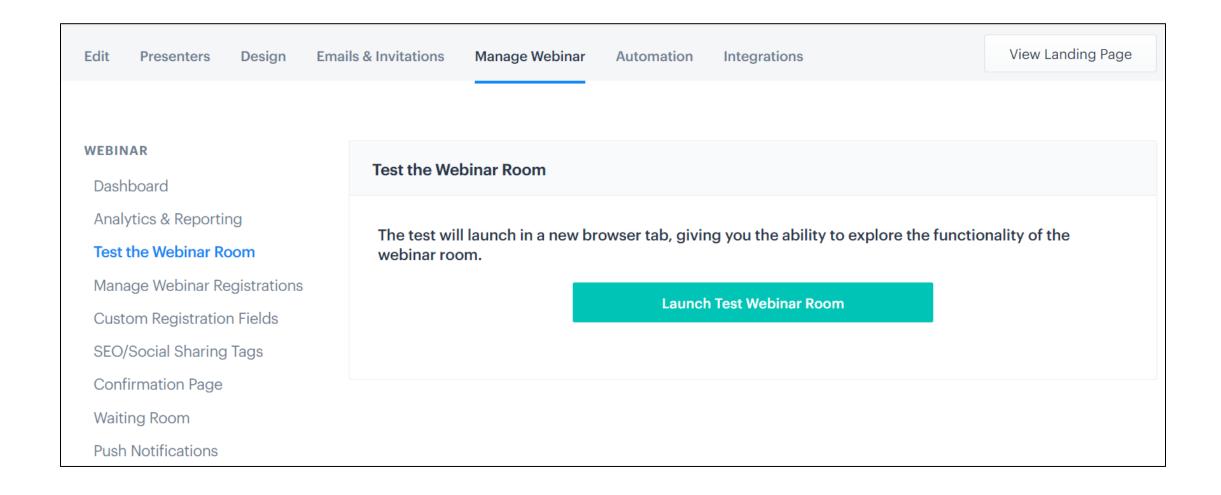




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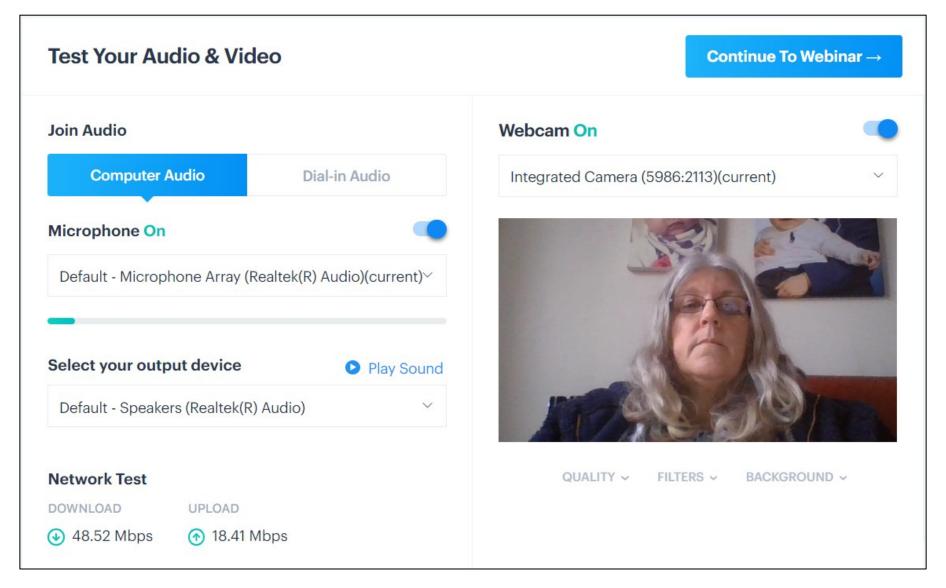


Test the webinar room





Checking the technology





Test webinar room

Presentation

Presenters

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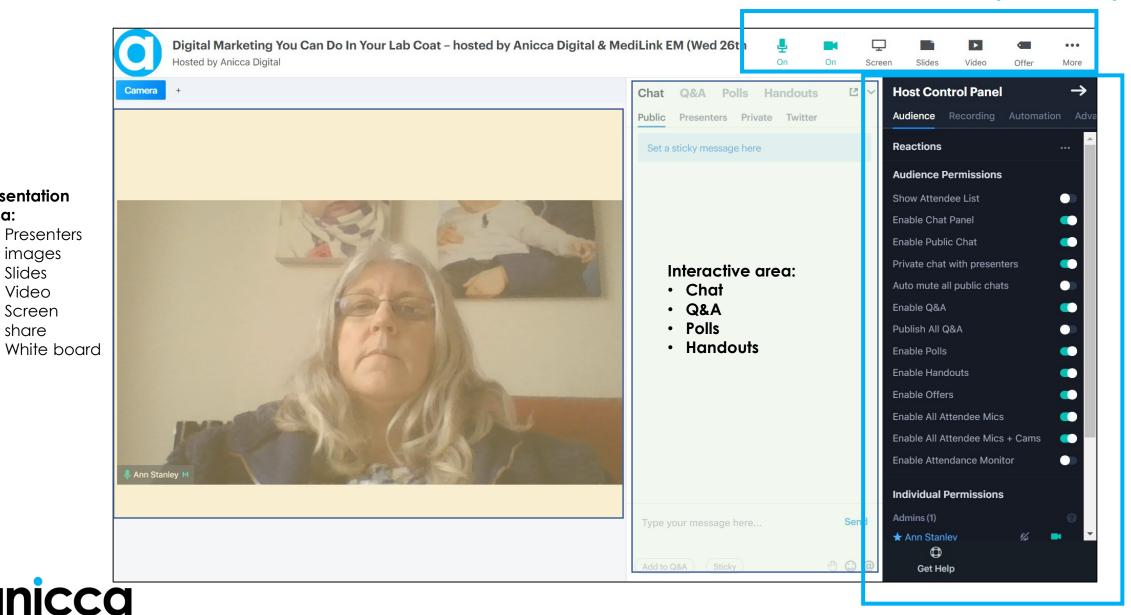
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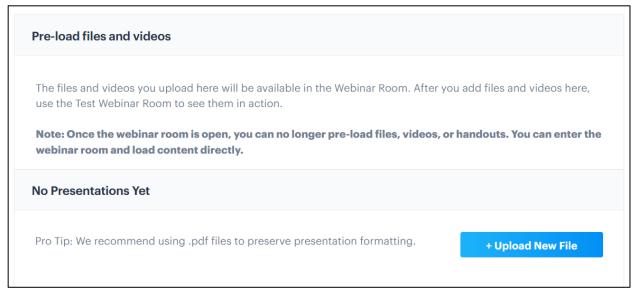
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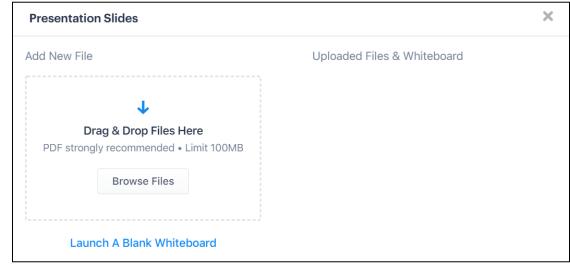
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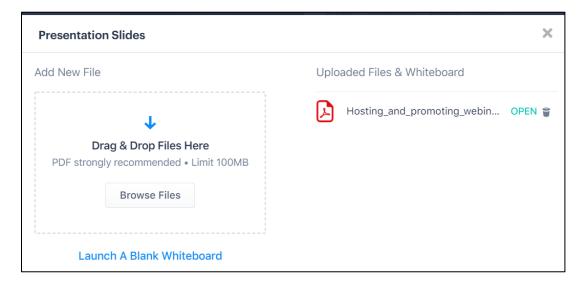
Host & presenter panels



Upload the pdf of your slides









Presentation – the live webinar room



Live webinar room

Presentation

Slides

Video

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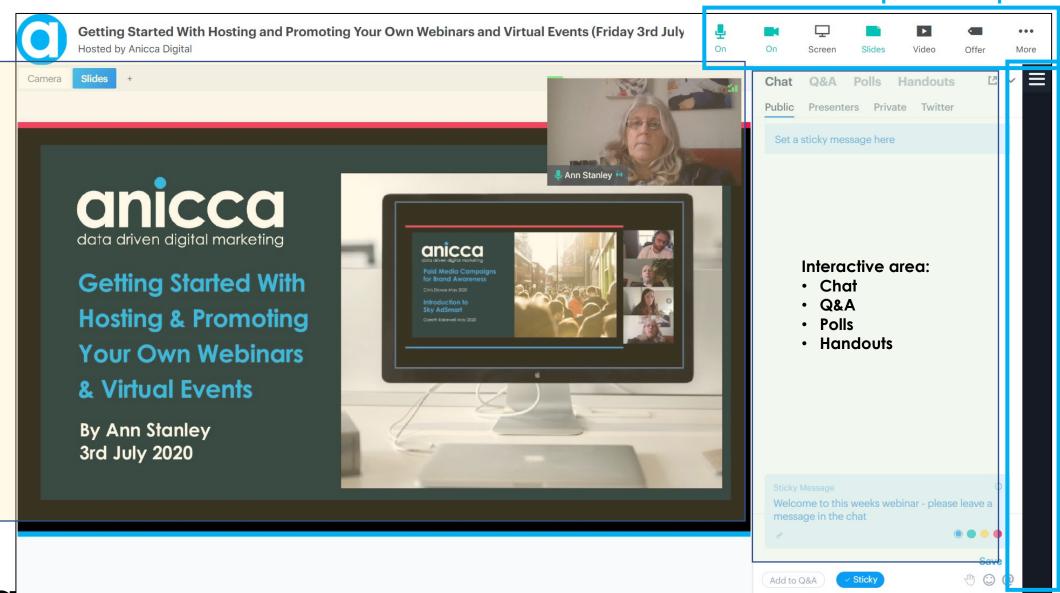
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Presenters

White board

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Host & presenter panels



Other activities during the webinar

- Polls
- Answering chat and Q&A
- Offers
- Whiteboard
- Handouts
- Open mics/video



Post-Presentation – the recording & results



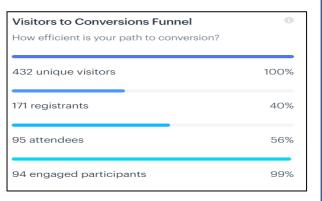
Process the video

- Video takes a few hours to process
- Grab a "cover" screen from the video
- Click "publish"
- Then send the video to your attendees, registered, and if applicable your main lists

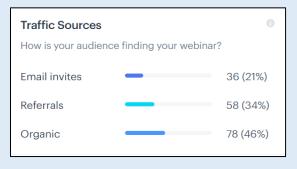


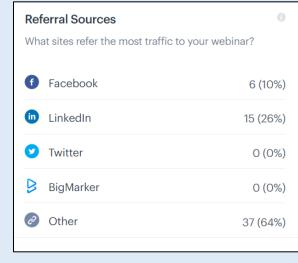
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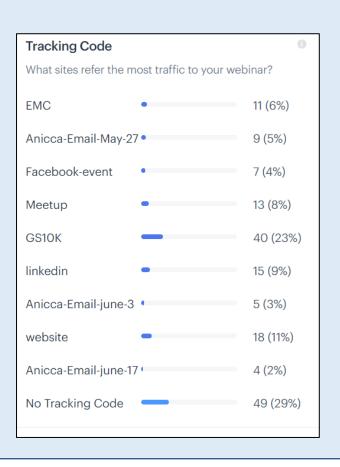
Registrations & attendees (conversion rate)



Source of Registrations



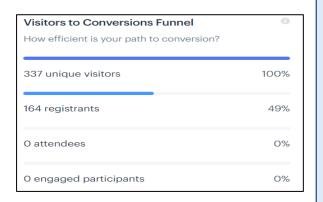




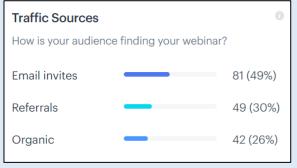


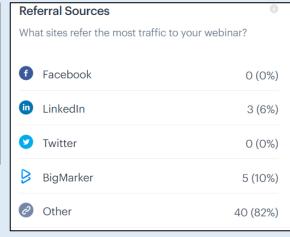
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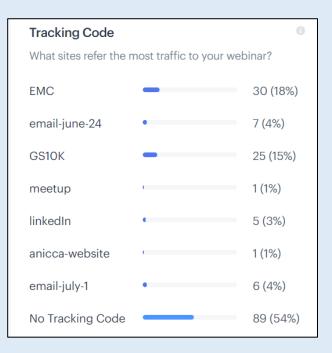
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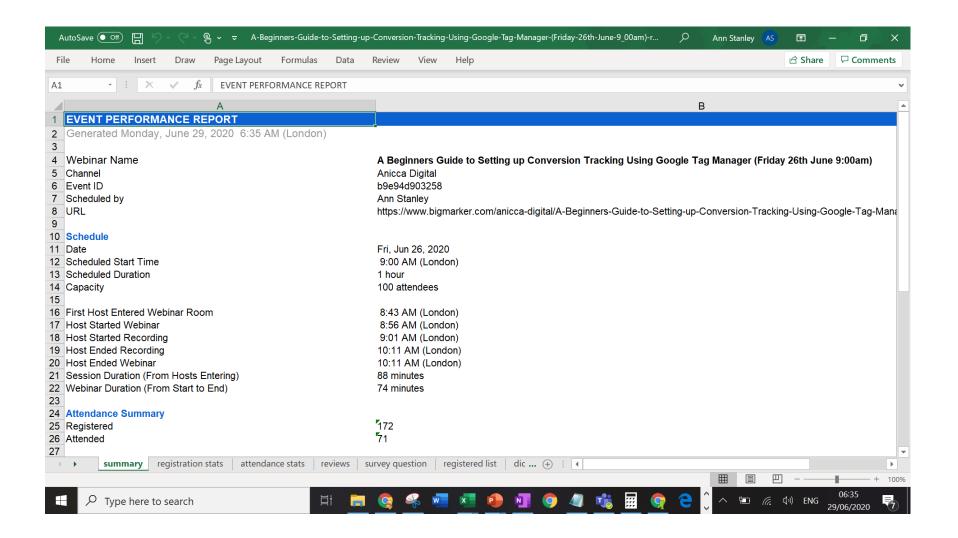






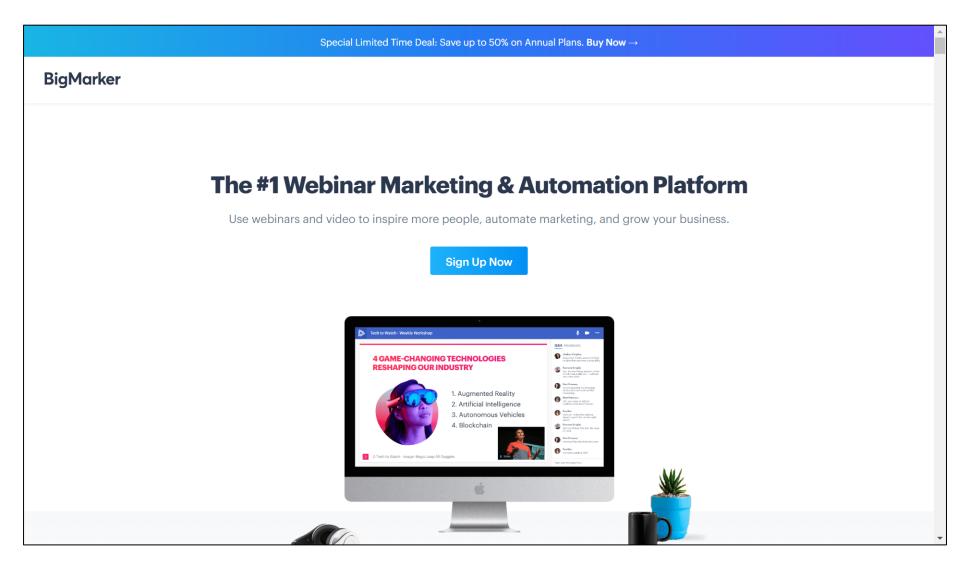


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