

Skiddaw U3A. Audio-visual Hardware available to Groups.

Equipment to enhance presentations or to record activities.

Kit can be borrowed **by conveners** from:

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Users will have to provide their own laptop when needed.

Because Ted isn't at home all the time, kit should be ordered well in advance of its need when arrangements for pick-up and return can be finalised.

A simple sign-out – sign-in system is in operation, and will run until it goes wrong! With a bit of co-operation it should work fine with minimum bother.

As some equipment is complex to use, Ted will produce a series of Youtube instructional videos over the next few months – watch this space.

Please note: Some of the equipment has been “donated,” one way or another, to Skiddaw U3A. If any members have redundant AV kit that they would like to donate to us for the common good, it will be gratefully received and cherished! For instance, we could use an OHP.

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List of Equipment currently Available (29.04.2014)

1. Sony Data Projector.



3700 lumens. **VGA, HDMI, USB, S-Video, and Composite inputs.** Will accommodate most laptops, tablets, etc. (Macs need their own connectors.) Remote control. Powerful enough for a small hall in daylight, or a large hall in blackout. Complete with stand to accommodate projector and laptop. Complete with VGA S-Video and HDMI leads.

2. Projector Screen.



Floor standing. Free standing. Wide viewing angle. 16:9 (modern TV) aspect ratio. Screen width 60". Ample size for groups of up to 60-100.

3. Assortment of multi gang extension leads if needed.

4. 35 W Audio Amplifier and Speaker for sound reinforcement.



2 mic. inputs, also line and aux. Plenty of sound for the largest hall.

5. Audio Technica Radio Mics x 2 for sound reinforcement.



Lavalier (lapel) mics with belt transmitters and receivers. Also a Toa radio mic. (if I can get it to work with the system.)

6. Wired Mics x 2 (Hand held mics).

Standard microphones. Will plug into the amplifier above.

No mic.stands as yet.

7. Genee Vision 2100 Visualiser



For projected visual presentations, eg. Painting demonstrations; close-up, detailed imaging etc. Has its own illumination lamp. **Illuminated demonstration desk available.** Feed image direct to projector, or through laptop for video/stills capture. Can flip between visualiser view and laptop screen for sophisticated presentations. Complete with leads etc. Will also project 35mm photographic slides, will reverse 35mm photo negatives, and show printed material (books, pictures). Split screen view. Full 3D view for 3D objects, no focussing needed. Stand alone or will wall mount for over-the-shoulder viewing.

8. “Zoom” Multitrack Digital Audio Recorder



For recording and mixing material prior to burning CDs. Great for singing groups, etc. Onboard effects (reverb, etc). Internal/external mics.

9. “Zoom” high quality handheld digital stereo recorder



4 microphones onboard. Simple or complex use. Desk stand and leads. Useful for recording instrumental groups “in the round.” Often used by bands (*groups to us*), for scratch recording. Good for instrumental work or ambient recording.

10. Canon “Legria” digital video camera



Standard HD recorder that we all know and love! Good quality imaging. Will plug directly into projector or TV for instant playback.

11. “Flip” basic HD mini camcorder



Great for simple on-the-fly recording. Just plugs directly into laptop for download and edit. Software on board the camera. 16:9 aspect ratio. Record-to-product in no time at all. One hour recording.

12. Photographic lighting heads and stands x 2