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Pivoting to Virtual:
The Story Behind ATD's
First-Ever Virtual
Conference



#### **Event Highlights**

4,500 attendees from 71 countries

Over 200 sessions, including Keynotes, Live Q&As, On Demand, and "Meditainment" Sessions

Average Daily Visitors: 2,512 Over 24,000 hours of content watched

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Platform
Decision
Process

# SET GOALS

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.



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#### **Level of Interactivity**

**Audience Engagement** 

**Networking Opportunities** 



#### Timing:

Live: One time run

Simulive: Pre-recorded, one-time run

On Demand: Pre-recorded and posted



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There are a ton of companies in this space with great features.

This list is some of who we looked at, but so much has changed in the last three months, it's worth looking around.

- "Basic"
  - Zoom
  - WebEx
  - Adobe Connect

- "Advanced"
  - Social27
  - 6Connex
  - vFairs
  - INXPO
  - FreemanAV

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Content Process

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#### **Content**

Similar to programming a live event

Choose presenters who are familiar with virtual delivery OR provide them resources on how to be a more effective virtual presenter



#### **Run of Show**

Develop a "run of show" or a schedule of what will happen when both for the audience AND for technical production

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Stumbling Blocks

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**Timelines** 

**Project Management** 

It's Still Technology

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Unexpected Wins

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COMMUNITY



**ENGAGEMENT** 



DEDICATION TO THE FIELD

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Key Lessons

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What's Next?