

# **AltspaceVR - guide to installing and using AltspaceVR for Midi2020 Conference.**





You can **download AltspaceVR** for your systems following the links below:

- [AltspaceVR for Oculus Quest and Quest 2](#)
- [Oculus Store](#)
- [Steam Store](#)
- [Microsoft Store](#)

Detailed installation process for MacOS: [AltspaceVR for MacOS](#)

Detailed installation process for Oculus Quest: [Altspace for Oculus Quest](#)

Detailed installation process for Windows Mixed Reality Platform: [AltspaceVR for Windows Mixed Reality Platform](#)

You can find **system requirements** for AltspaceVR here: [Minimum-System-Specifications](#)

After You are **done installing** AltspaceVR application **you can follow instructions below:**

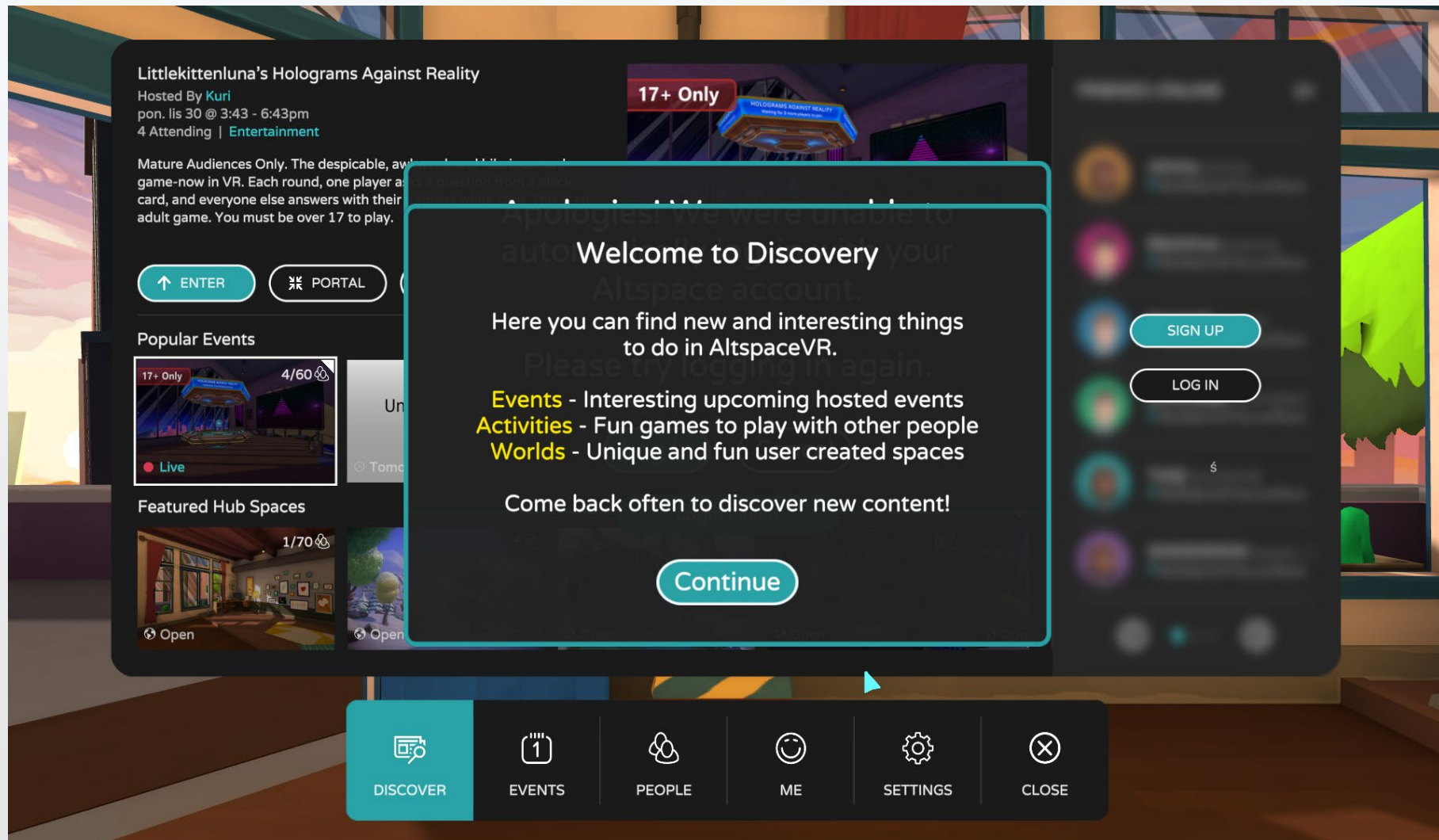


First we have to **accept** the **Terms of Service** of the **AltspaceVR** application:





Afterwards we will be greeted by a **welcome message**, followed up by a **not logged in** message (if you haven't used AltspaceVR before):





If you **don't have an AltspaceVR account**, or you have one that **does not match** with **MIDI2020 registration form (by name and email)**, please **create one** now.

You can create an account by clicking the „**sign up**” button on the **rightmost panel**.

The image shows the AltspaceVR Sign Up screen. The background is a dark, stylized illustration of a cityscape. The main content area is a dark gray panel with the AltspaceVR logo at the top left. The title 'SIGN UP' is centered at the top of the panel. Below the title are four input fields: 'Display Name - This is what others see.', 'Username - This is unique to your account.', 'Email - Used to log you in.', and 'Password - Must be at least 8 characters.'. Below these fields are two dropdown menus: 'REGION' (set to 'United States') and 'BIRTHDAY' (set to 'DEC 01 2020'). There is a checkbox labeled 'Email me about new features & events' which is checked. Below the checkbox are links for 'Terms of Service' and 'Privacy Policy'. At the bottom of the panel are two buttons: 'CANCEL' and 'CREATE'. To the right of the main panel is a sidebar with a list of user avatars. The 'SIGN UP' button is highlighted in teal, and the 'LOG IN' button is also visible below it. At the bottom of the screen is a navigation bar with seven icons: 'DISCOVER' (teal), 'EVENTS' (calendar), 'WORLDS' (globe, with a 'BETA' badge), 'PEOPLE' (cloud), 'ME' (smiley face), 'SETTINGS' (gear), and 'CLOSE' (X).





After you create a new account (sign up), the application **tutorial** will **begin**. **Finishing is required for users to access** most of the AltspaceVR **social features**, such as **events**.

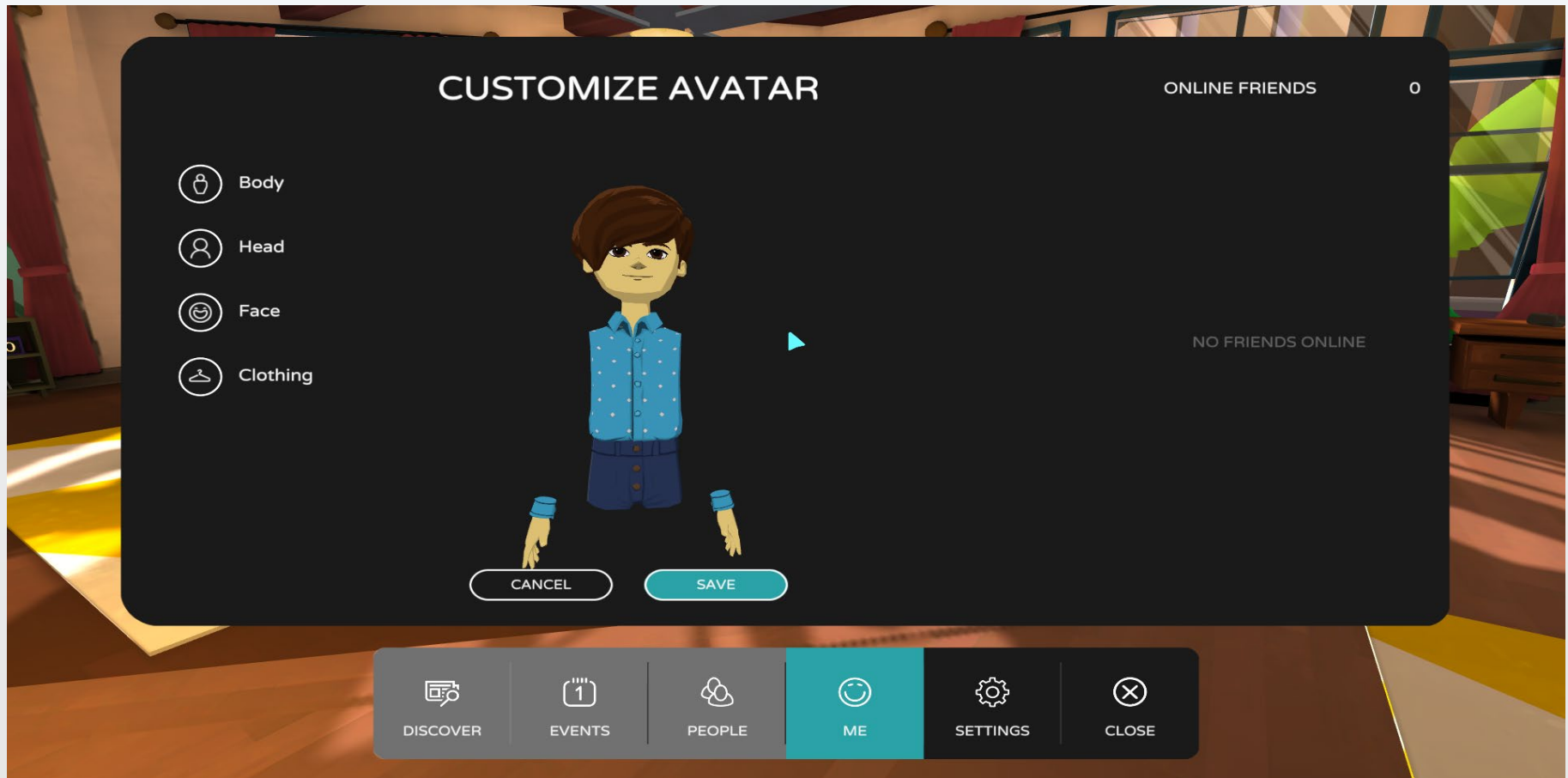
Please follow the tutorial instructions to the end.



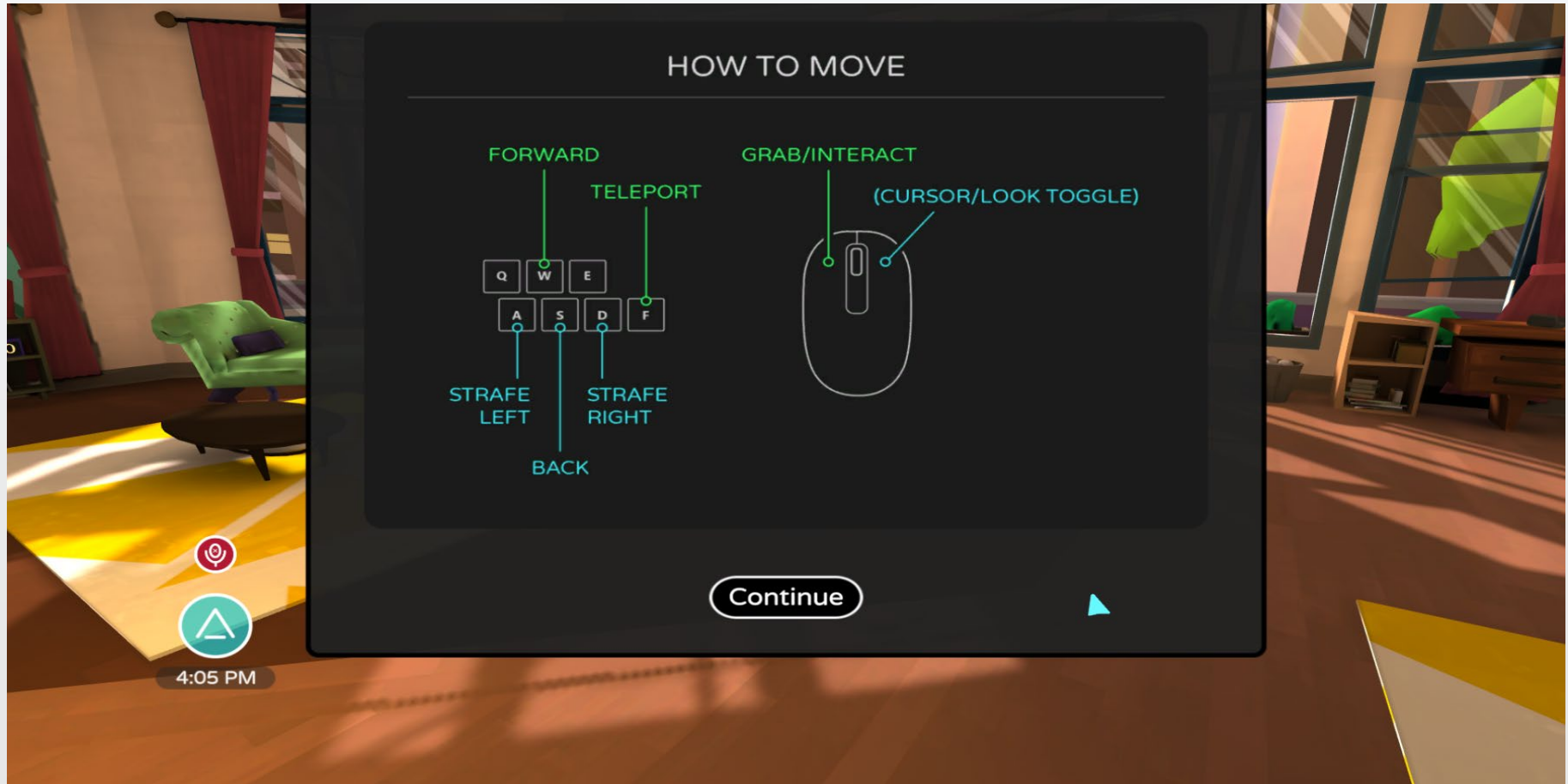


**First** you will be prompted to **create an avatar**, your **representation** in the virtual space. Avatars are visible to others at all times, so **we encourage you to spend some time** customizing it to your **liking**.

You can **finish** this step by **saving** your desired look.



Afterwards a short **controls tutorial** will **start**. It consists of movement controls, which by default are „**WASD**”, **teleporting**, available by **pressing and holding „F”** key and **looking around** and **interacting** with objects which is done by using our **mouse**.







Our **top secret intel** suggests that the **door password** might be „**2015**” :)





By pressing the **right mouse button** we can switch between **looking around mode** and **cursor mode**. In the latter we get access to **on screen ui**, shown in the **bottom left corner**.

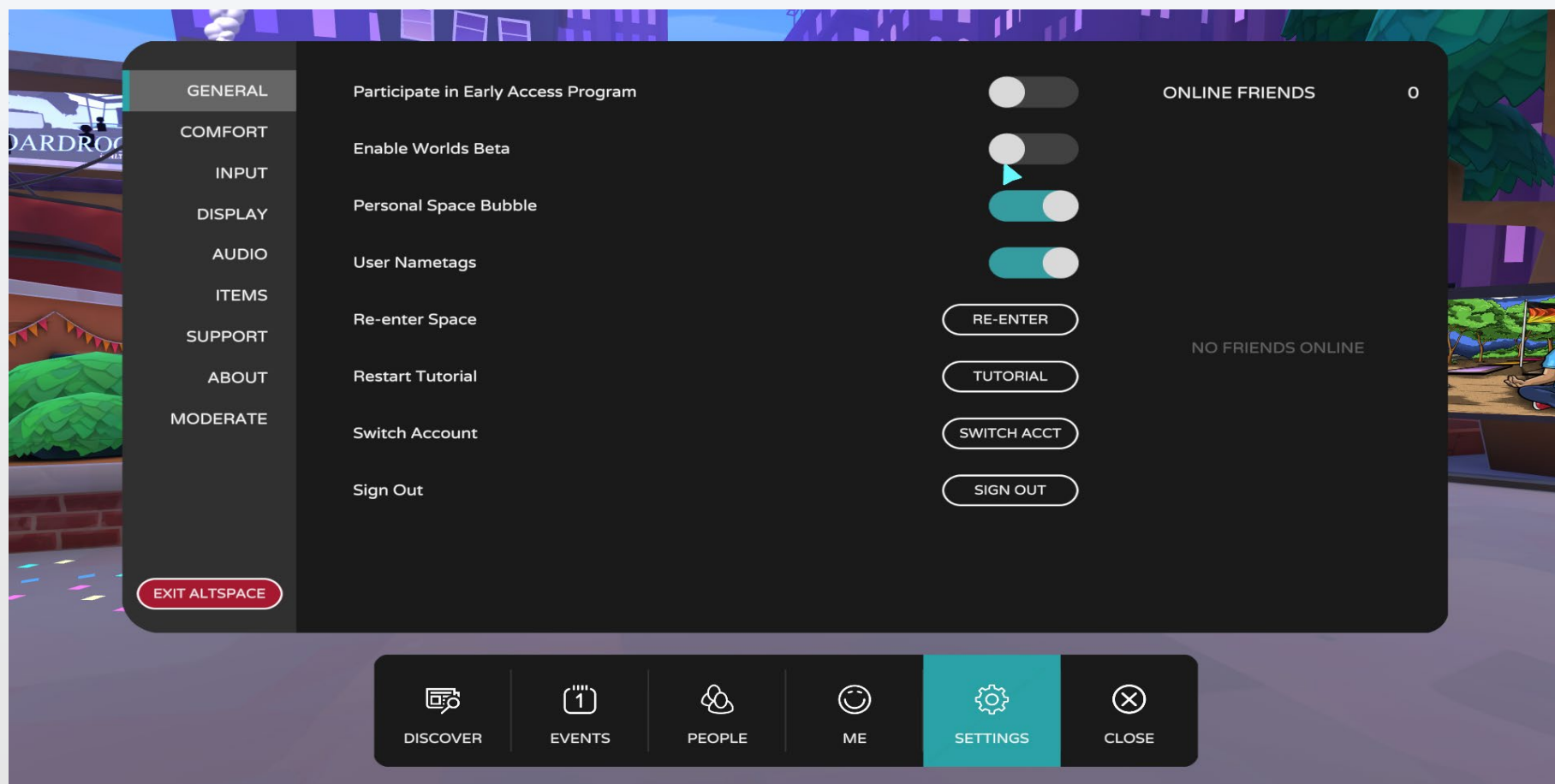
We can **mute** and **unmute** our **microphone** there, adjust its levels, **enable** and **disable** **emojis**, **toggle on and off** our **personal bubble**, take selfie or photo, go back to our **private** space called **home** and lastly access the **main menu**.





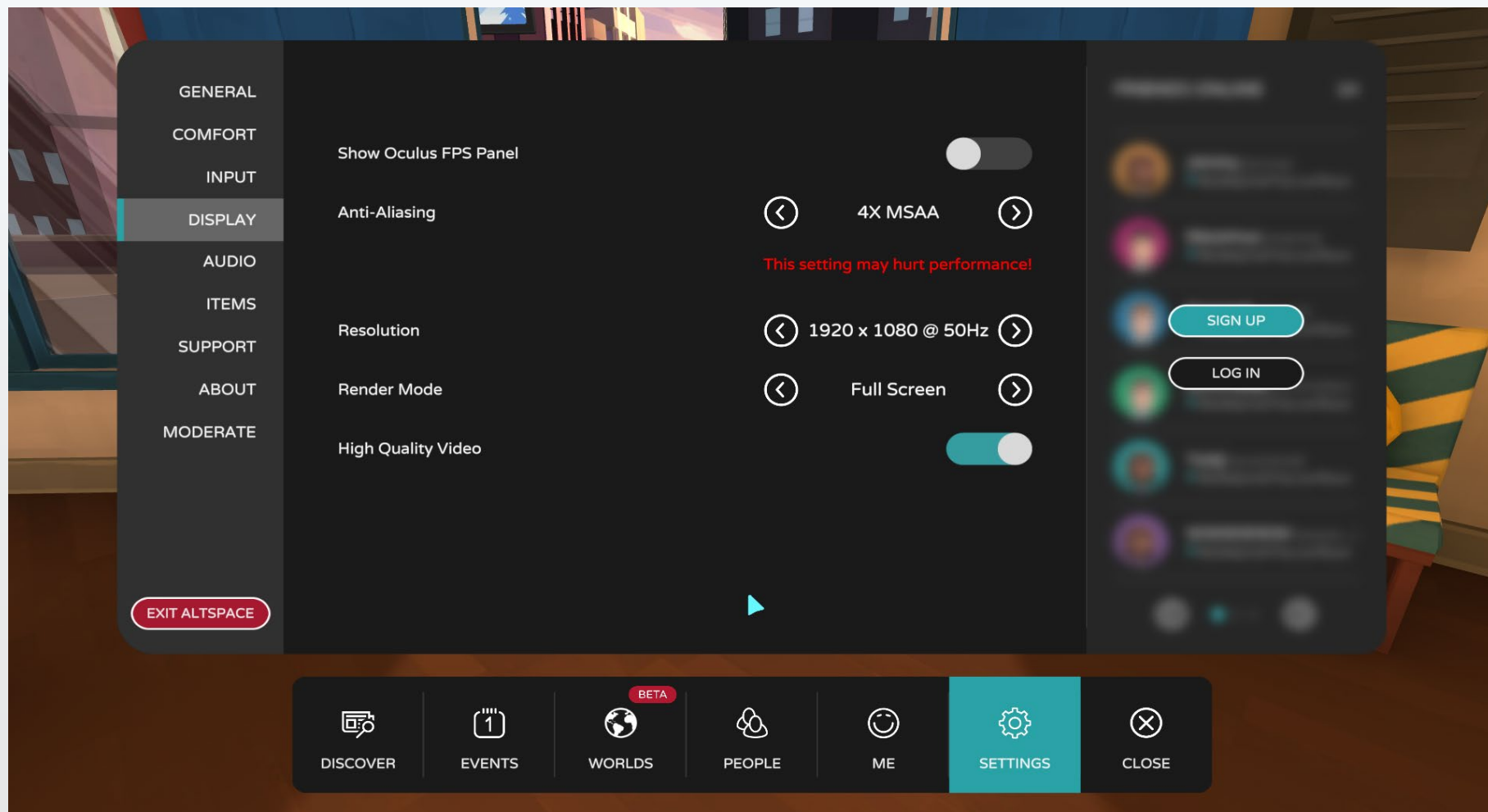
In the **Main menu**, there are couple very useful **options**:

- In the **General tab**, option called „**re-enter space**“. If any glitches should appear it's helpful to **re-enter the virtual space**, that process **can solve most of the common bugs** on the fly.





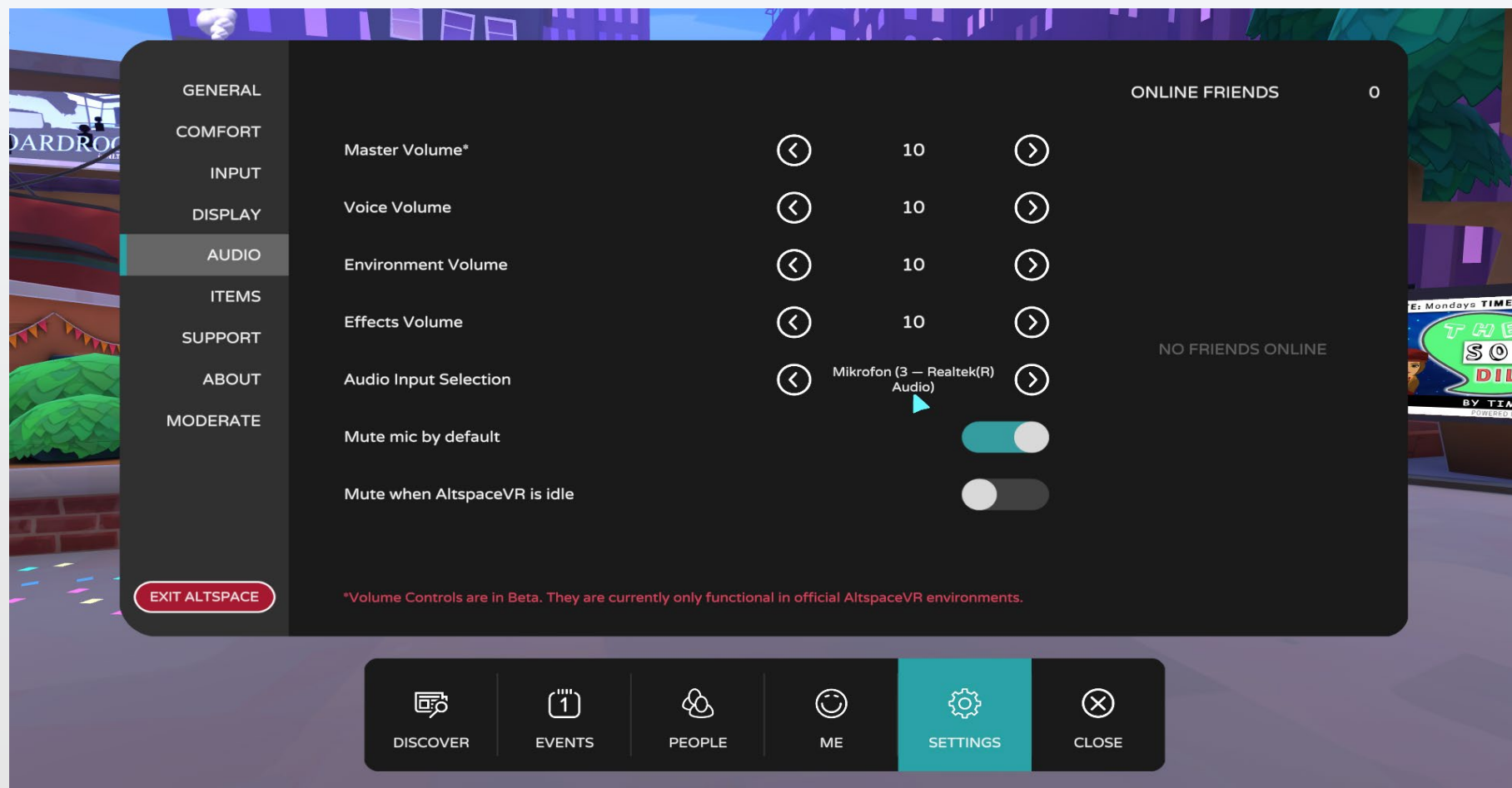
- In the **Display tab**, you can **tweak** your **graphical settings** to achieve **better** and more **stable performance**, if needed. (Very **helpful** for **lower end machines**).





- In the **Audio tab**, you can tweak **audio settings**, but most importantly you can **choose** the **audio input** for the AltspaceVR application, that input (**microphone**) will be used for talking in the virtual world.

If you have microphone problems you should check those settings.

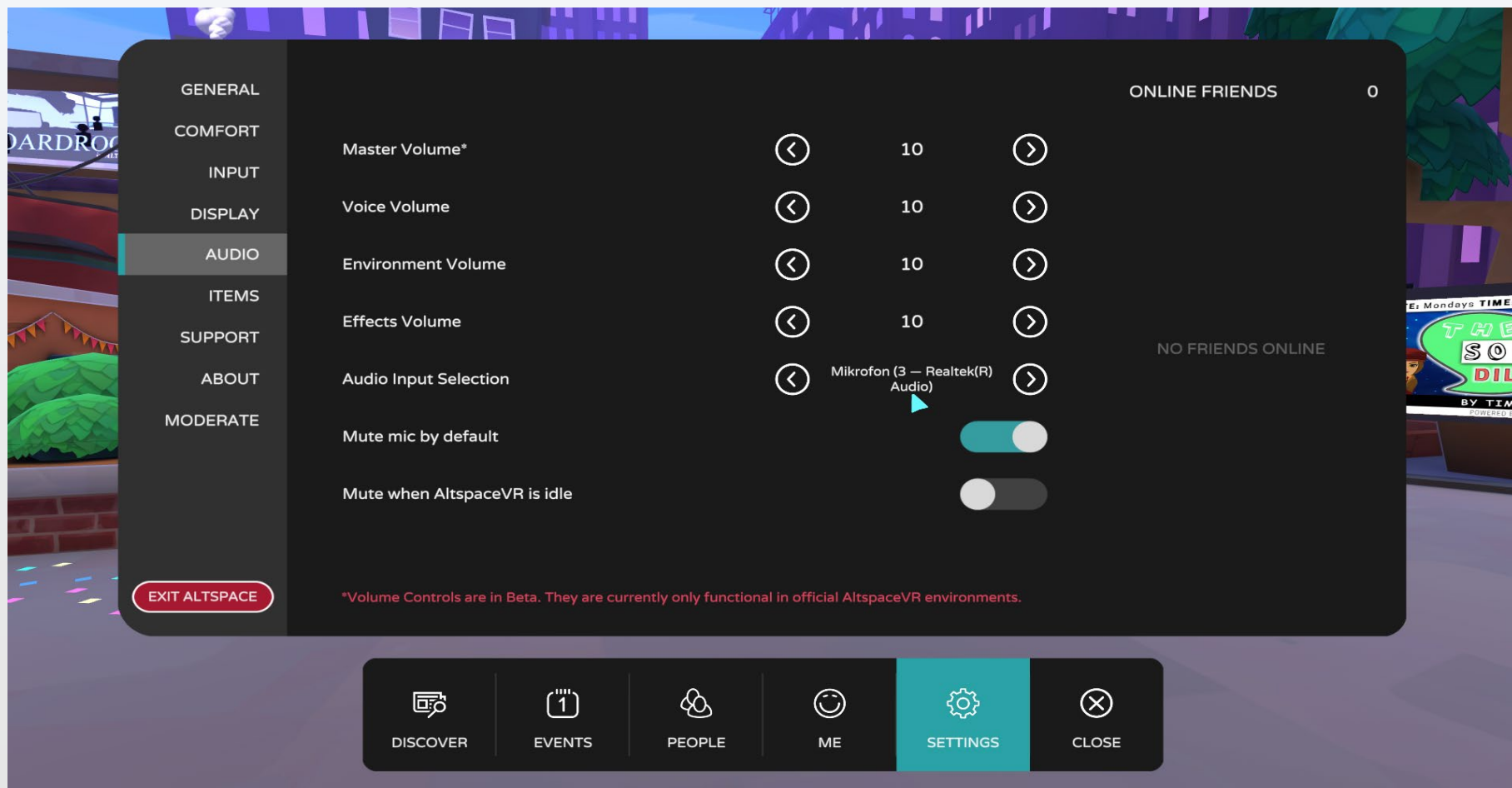






On the **bottom navigation bar** you can find your **settings**, personal info and avatar customization, **friends lists**, discover function and **events tab**.

We will explore the **events tab** next.

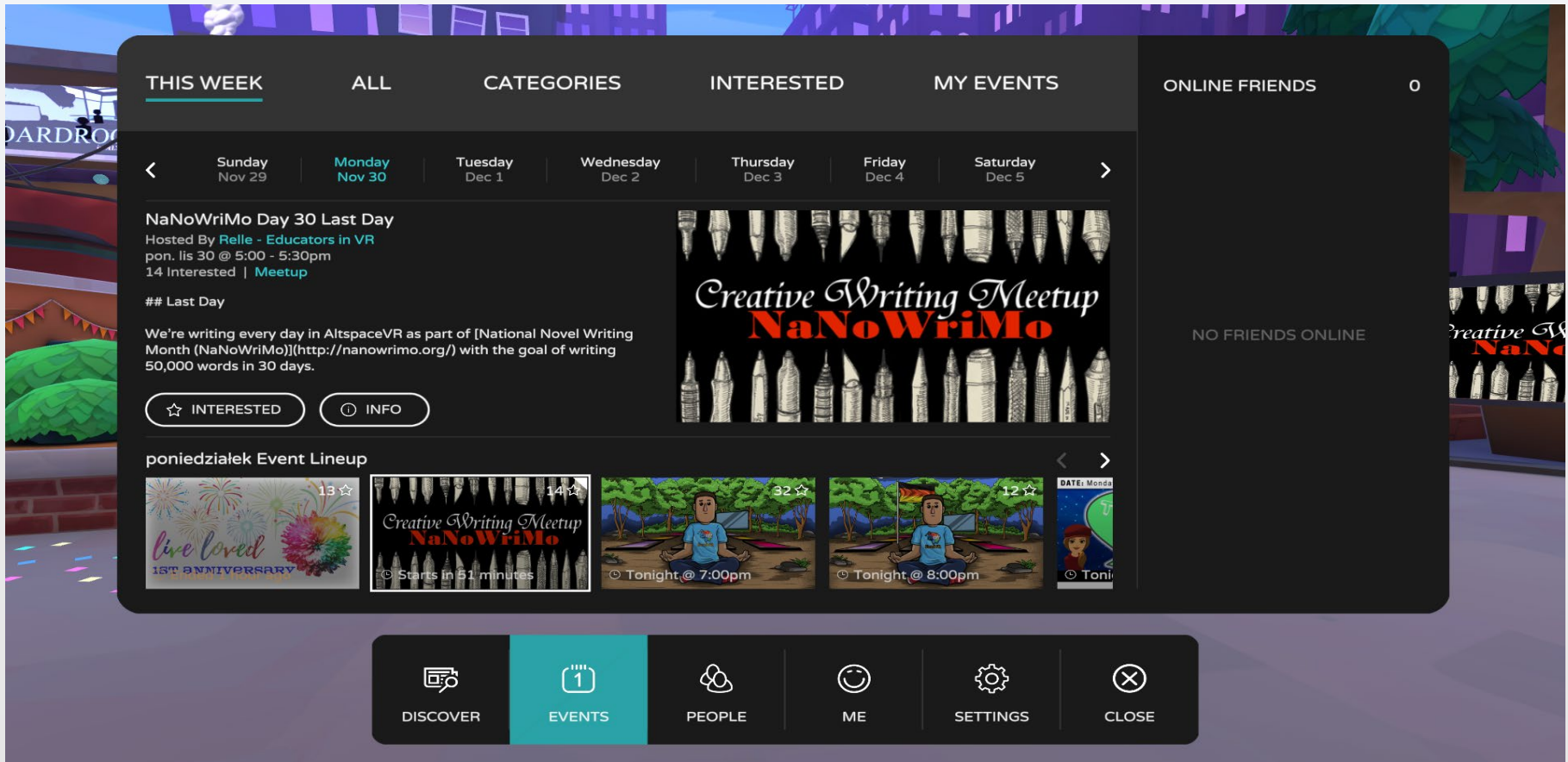




Here you can find the **timetable** of all **upcoming events**.

Events can be created as **private** ones, thus they **won't be visible for all** users, instead **they will show up under MY EVENTS tab**, which you can locate on the **top navigation bar**.

That's where **our conference** and **our social events** will show up for registered users!



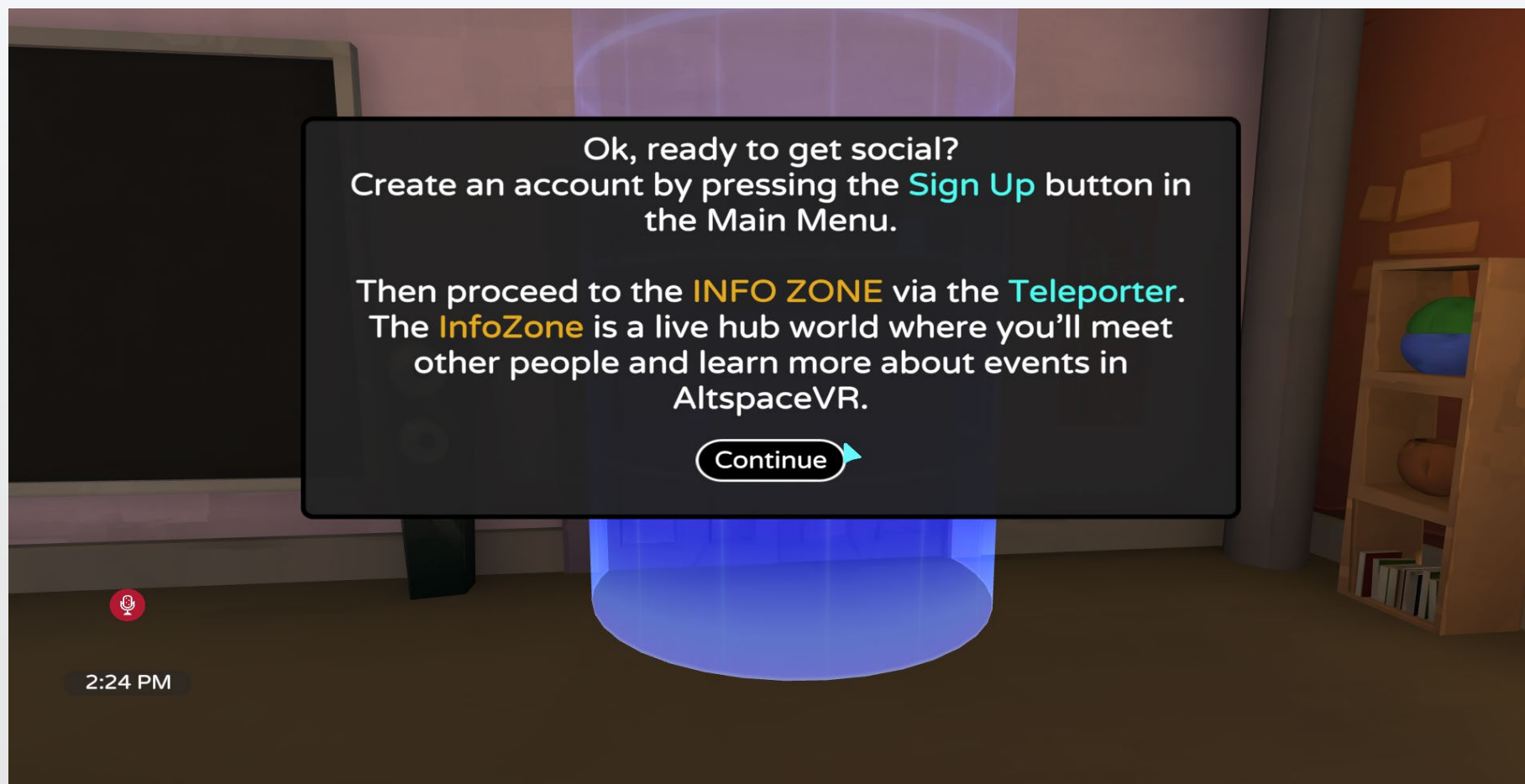


Let's **go back** to the **virtual world**.

In order to **finish** the **tutorial**, you are **required to go to the INFO ZONE**.

If you are **logged in**, please proceed to the **INFO ZONE** by pointing at the **blue portal**.

**Otherwise an account is required** to enter that space, **please make one** to access all of the **AltspaceVR features**.





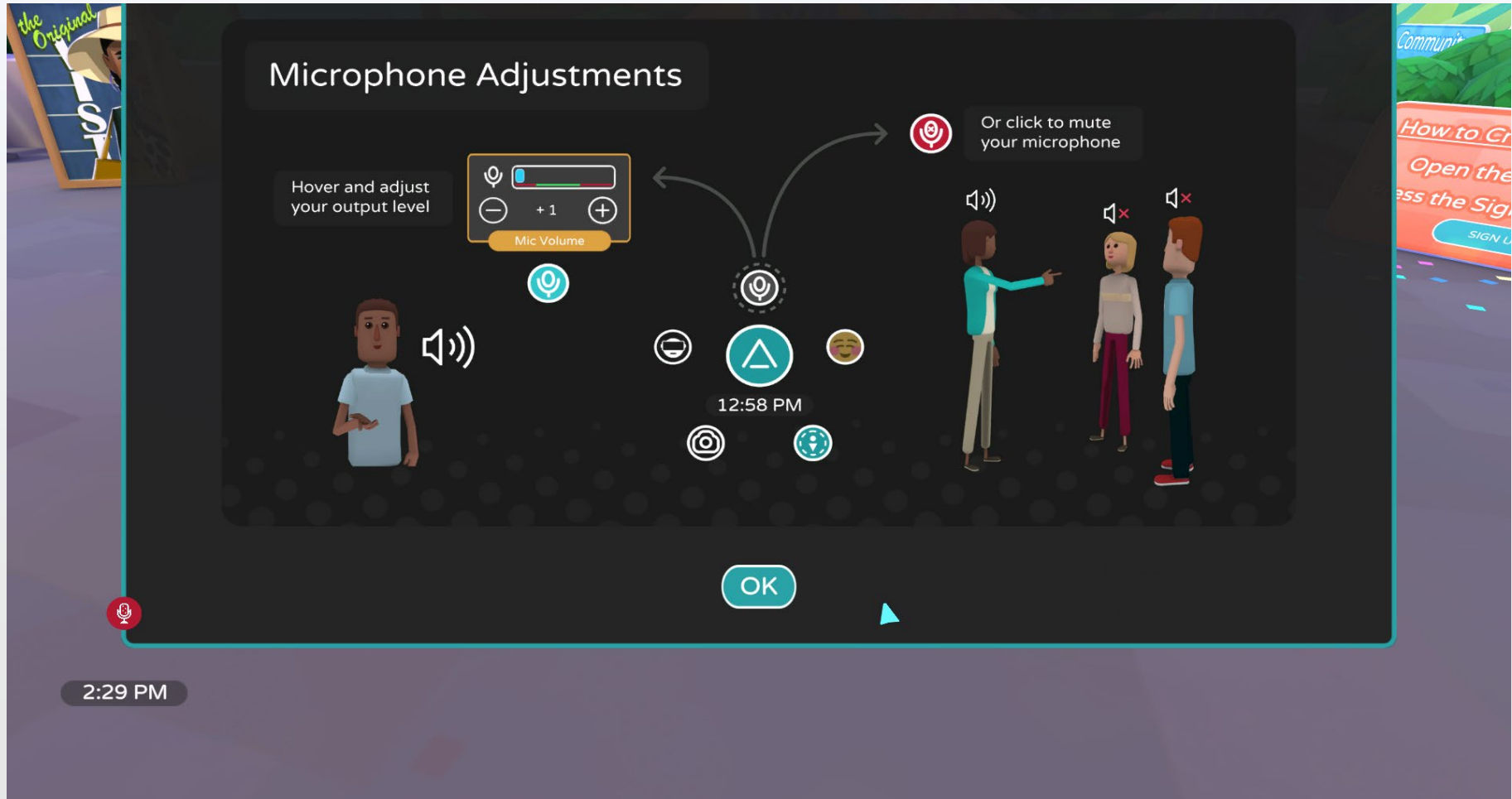
**INFO ZONE** is an extension of the **tutorial** and a first zone where you can **meet other users**.





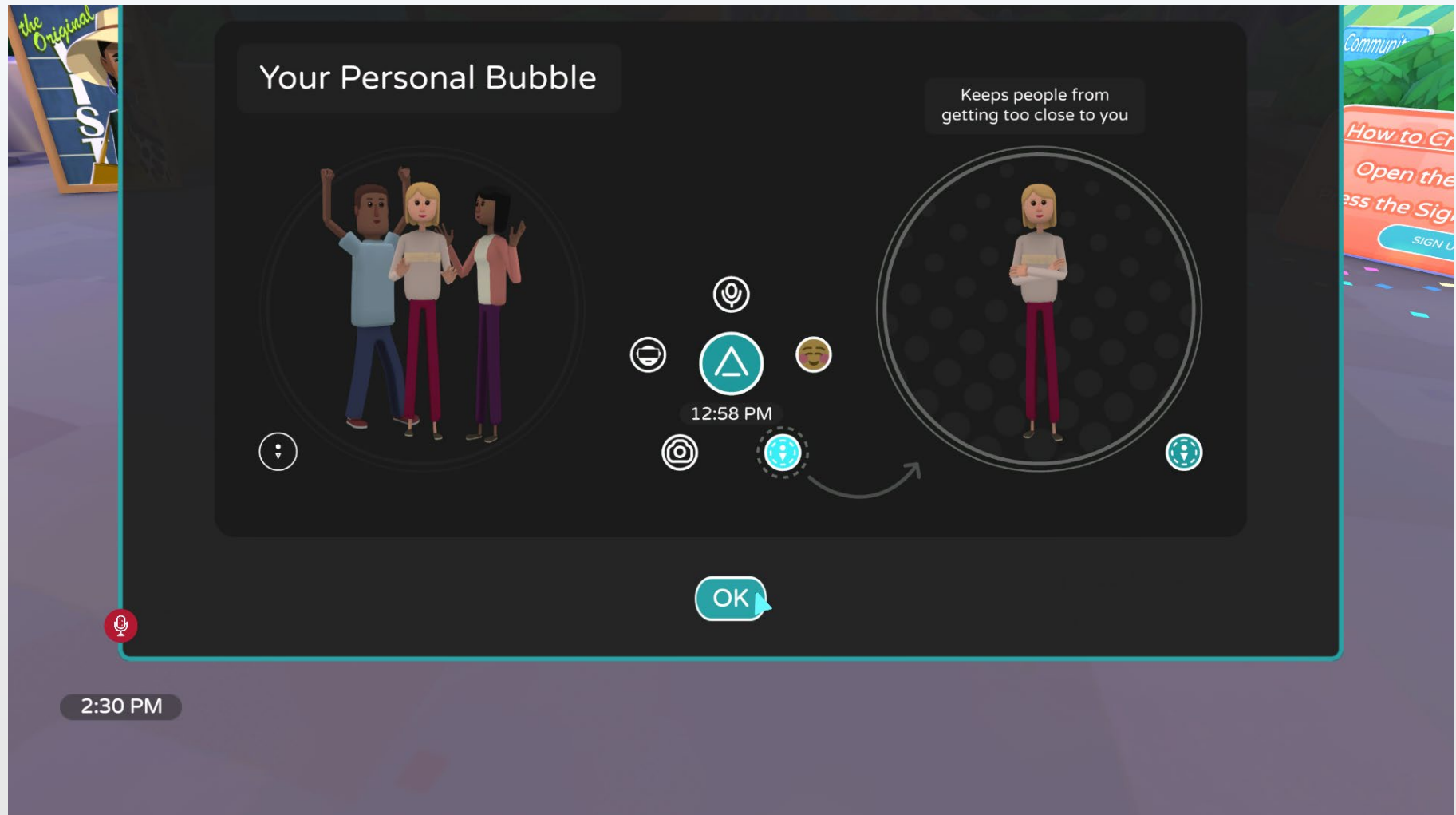
You will be shown couple **social tutorials** such as:

- **Microphone control.**





## - Personal bubble tutorial





- How to Add, block and mute other users by hovering over their names.

The slide is titled "Friending and Blocking" and illustrates two ways to interact with other users. On the left, a user profile for "Altspacer" is shown with a plus icon, a minus icon, and a mute icon. Below the name is the username "Altspacer101". An arrow labeled "Send a friend invite" points from the plus icon to a second user, a woman in a pink shirt and purple pants, who is shown with a heart and a happy emoji above her head. On the right, a red circle with a minus sign is shown with an arrow pointing to a grey silhouette of a person. A text box next to it says "Use block to remove someone". Below the silhouette, a note states "\*They won't know they've been blocked". At the bottom center of the slide is a blue "OK" button. The slide is framed by a dark background with a pattern of small white dots. On the far left and right edges, there are partial views of other slides: the left one says "the Original" and "S", and the right one says "Communit", "How to Cr", "Open the", "ess the Sig", and "SIGN U".

Friending and Blocking

Altspacer

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Send a friend invite

Use block to remove someone

\*They won't know they've been blocked

OK

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We encourage you to **explore** deep into the **INFO ZONE** as it has many **AltspaceVR**, interactive features explained.





If you wish to **exit AltspaceVR**, please go to the **settings menu** and **press „Exit AltspaceVR”** button. (Or you can use **Alt-F4**)

