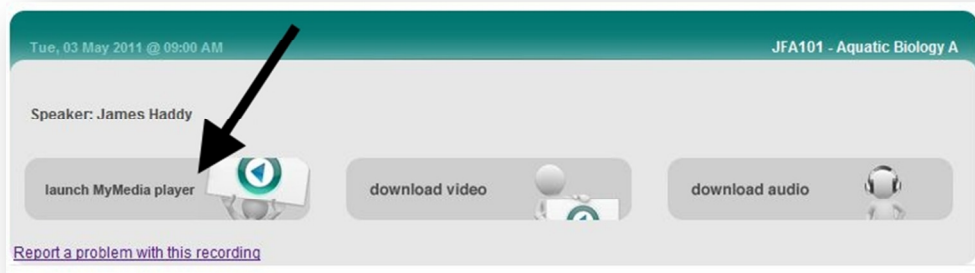


## Using the MyMedia Player

### How to Launch the MyMedia Player

For a unit with video recordings, each row on the page for a unit's recordings will feature a **launch MyMedia Player** button. To start the player, click the button.

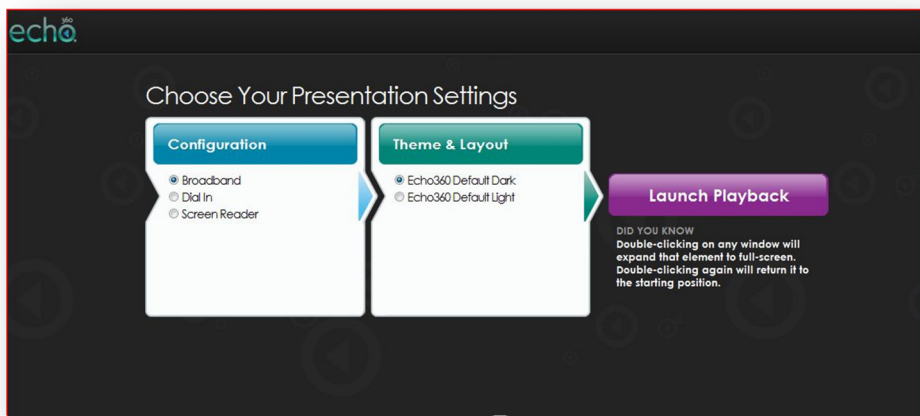


A popup will then appear, requiring that you agree to the terms of the copyright agreement. If you disagree with the terms click **Cancel**. Otherwise click **OK**.

If security is enabled on this course you will be asked for your UTAS email username and password.

A screenshot of a login form titled 'Login to EchoSystem Server'. Below the title is the instruction 'Please enter your information to log in.'. There are two input fields: 'User Name' and 'Password'. Below the 'Password' field is a green 'Login' button.

Once you have entered your credentials, the next screen will give you several choices.



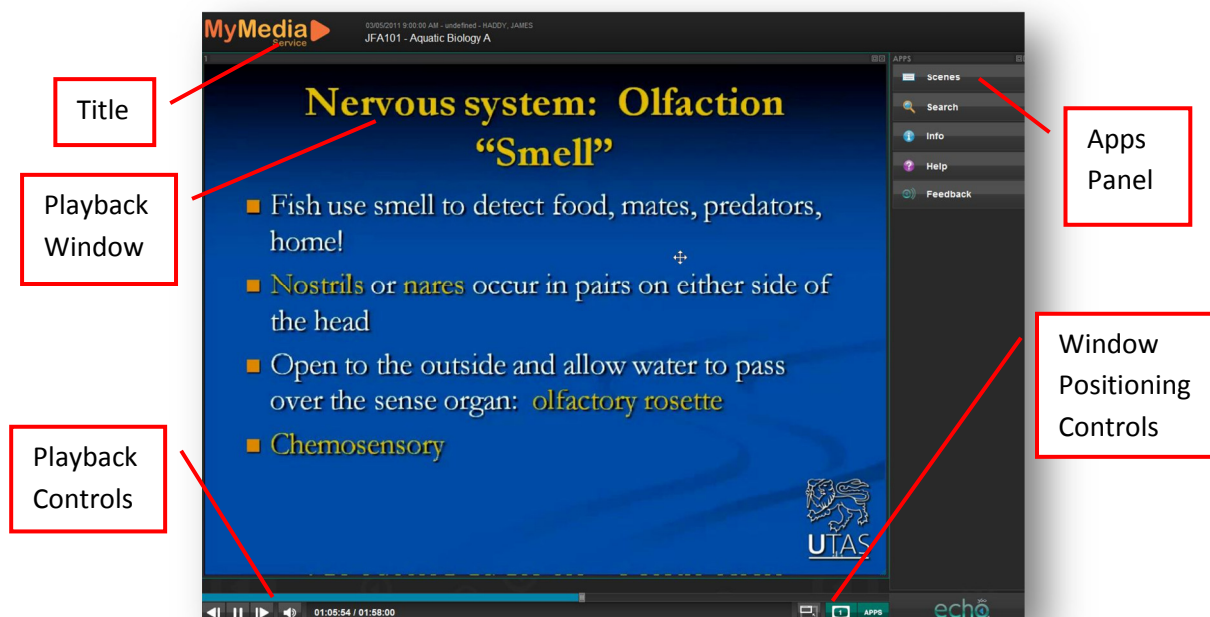
The most important selection panel is the **Configuration** panel. Here you can choose either:

- **Broadband** (high quality for high bandwidth internet connections)
- **Dial-in** (for slow connections), or
- **Screen Reader** (for people with visual disabilities who use screen reading software to interact with the computer).

The other panel is for **Theme and Layout**, and lets you choose from a light or dark themed player. This just adjusts the appearance of the player and not the functionality.

### The MyMedia Player Screen and Functions

Make your choices, click **Launch Playback**, a load screen will appear, and then you will be greeted with the player which will start playing automatically. The player has several major sections. The **Title**, the **Playback Window**, the **Playback Controls**, the **Window Positioning Controls**, and the **Apps Panel**.



### Title and Playback Window

The **Title** area is where the title of the unit, the date and time of the recording, the presenter and the lecture title appear. Most of this information is entered automatically, but some of it must be entered or updated manually by the lecturer.

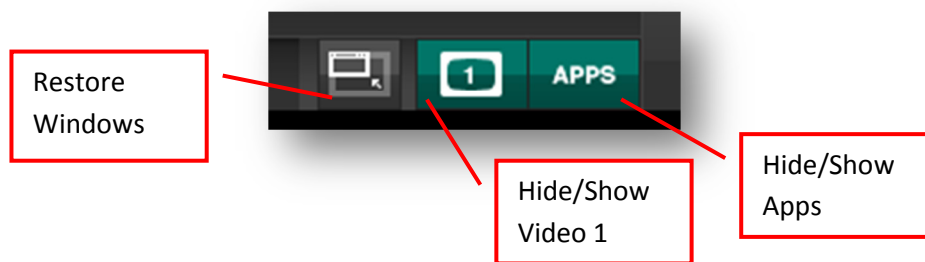
The **Playback Window** features the recorded slides from the video. There may even be a second video window if the recording used dual video (screen + presenter), although this is not common.

The **Playback Window** can be dragged around and resized. Double clicking on the window will expand it to take up more of the screen. You can always restore the position of the **Playback Window** using the window positioning tools (see below).

Pressing 'F' on the keyboard will expand the whole player environment to full screen and the escape key 'Esc' will get you out of full screen mode.

## Window Positioning Controls

In the bottom right of screen there are some buttons to manage the window positions.



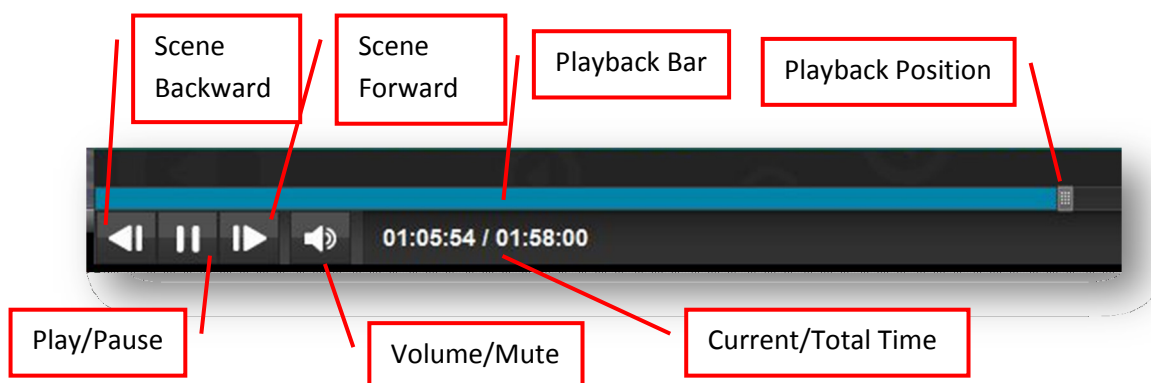
The **Restore Windows** button will return the **Playback Windows** to their original layout.

The **Hide/Show Video 1** button will remove the **Playback Window** from the screen, or restore it. If the recording is a dual video recording (usually screen + presenter) then there will be two **Hide/Show Video** buttons.

The **Hide/Show Apps** button will remove the **Apps Panel** from the screen, or restore it.

## Playback Controls

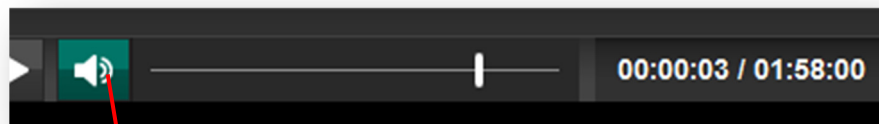
The Playback Controls are similar to other video player services such as Youtube or Vimeo, with some important differences.



**Play/Pause** will resume playback, or pause at the current playback position.

There is a **Playback Bar**, with **Playback Position** handle. The **Playback Bar** shows how far you are through the recording. The **Playback Position** handle can be moved by left clicking and dragging it back and forward. The current time will change as you move the handle around. When you let go of the handle the playback position will then jump to that point in the recording.

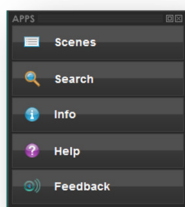
There is also a **Volume/Mute** control. Hovering the mouse over the small speaker icon will change the icon into a volume slider where you can adjust the playback volume. Clicking on the speaker icon will mute the volume.



Hovering over the volume button reveals the volume control

There are two more buttons available, the **Scene Forward** and **Scene Backward** buttons. When a lecture is recorded, the system senses major changes in the video, and creates a series of “scenes” as an index. The scene forward/backward controls will jump between these scenes.

## Apps Panel



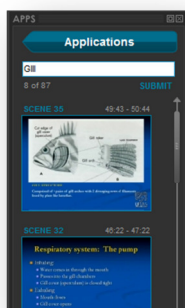
Lastly there is the **Apps Panel**. The **Apps Panel** contains several useful tools for navigation and additional information about the recording. The current available **Apps** are detailed below, more may be added at a later date.

### Scenes



The **Scenes App** shows thumbnails of all the major scene changes during the recording. For example, when a lecturer switches from the first slide to the second, the system will detect that there has been a scene transition and create a thumbnail for the next scene. This makes it easy to browse to a certain part of the lecture by scrolling through the scenes until you find the one that looks right. Clicking on the scene will then jump to that position in the recording and start playback.

### Search



When a recording is published, MyMedia Service automatically makes an index of all the text content on the slides. When you do a **Search**, the system scans the index and provides thumbnails of all the slides that the text appears on.

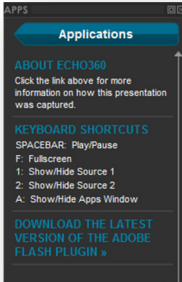
So for instance you are looking for where the lecturer starts talking about “gill”, typing “gill” into **Search** shows all the slides that the word “gill” appears on. You can click on an individual slide and the recording will jump to that point.

## Info



The **Info App** may contain some additional information about the recording that does not appear in the title bar.

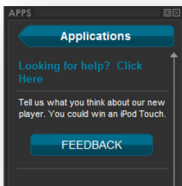
## Help



The **Help App** contains information on how to use the player, and also links to external information about the products that UTAS use to provide the MyMedia Service.

There is also a link to **Adobe Flash Player**, which is the technology used to provide a lot of the player functions.

## Feedback



The **Feedback App** contains a link to the **Help App**, and also a link to an external **Feedback** form that is provided by the vendor that supplies the technology used to provide **MyMedia Service**.