Chat privately with other moderators and speakers

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This article is designated for moderators and speakers

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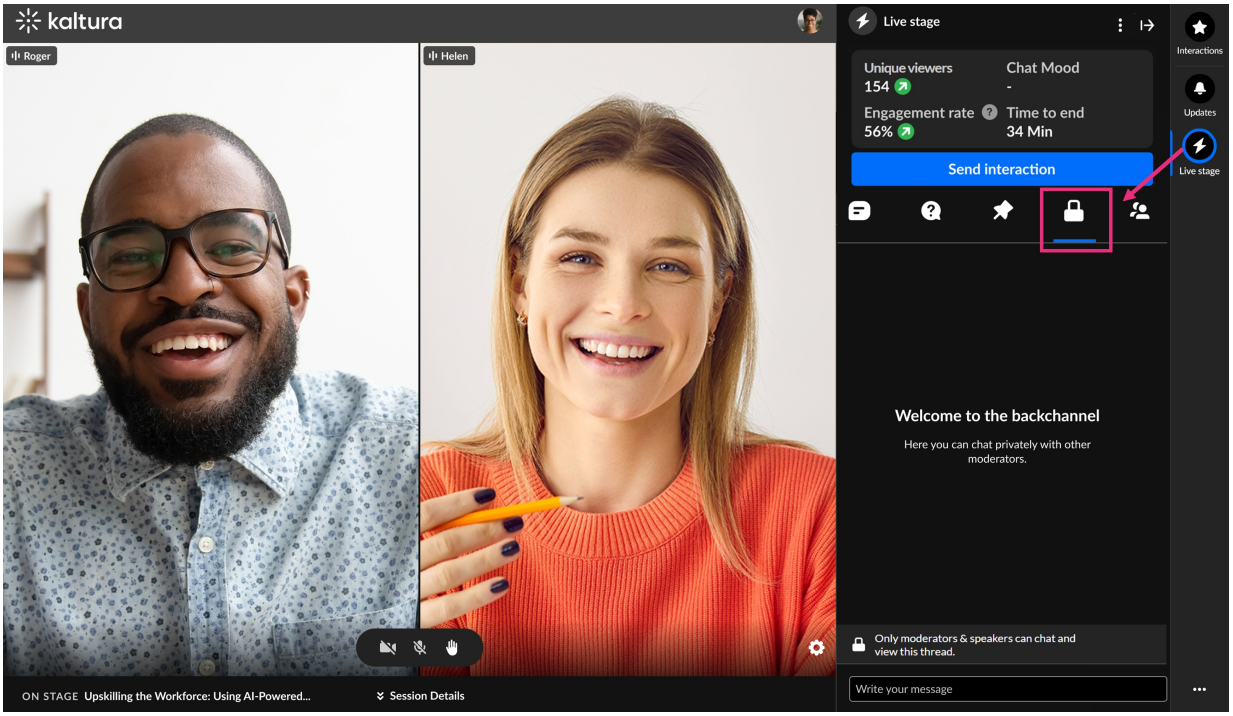
Moderators and speakers can use **Backchannel** to communicate privately with each other during a session. Backchannel messages aren't visible to participants.

Backchannel is only available to users who have been added to the session as **moderators** or **speakers**.

Open Backchannel

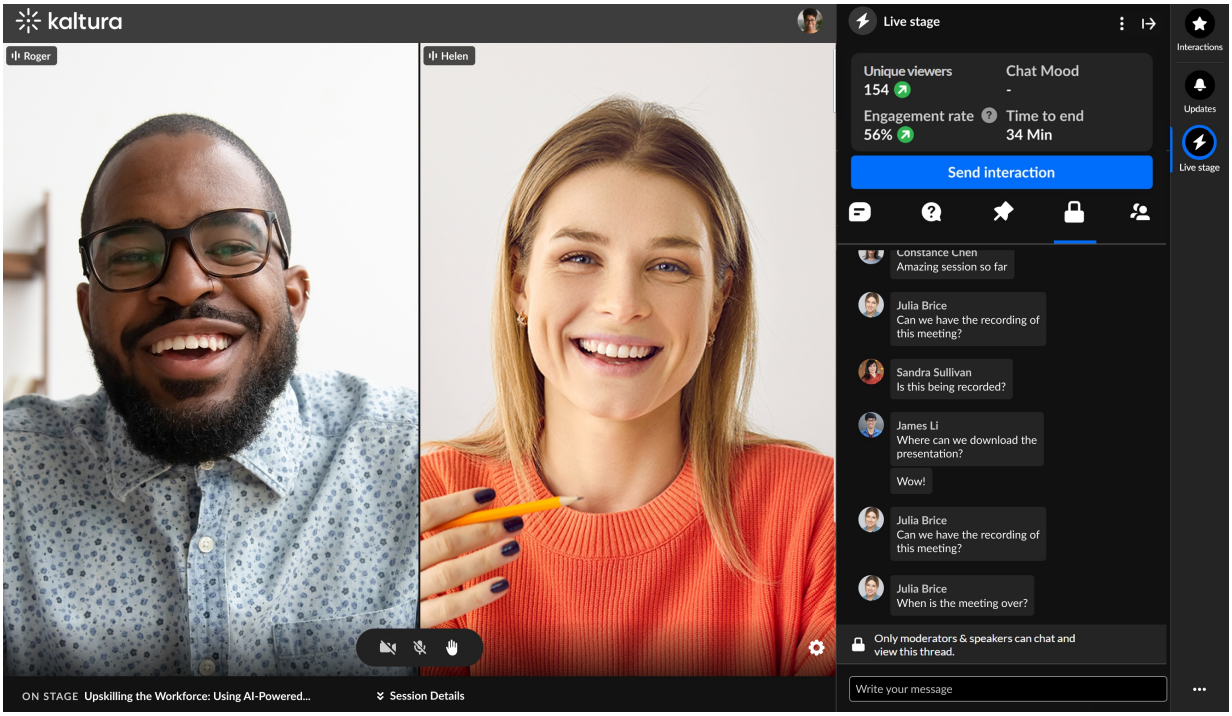
1. On the session page, click Live stage in the right navigation.
2. Click the **Backchannel (padlock) icon**.

   If there are no messages yet, a welcome message displays.

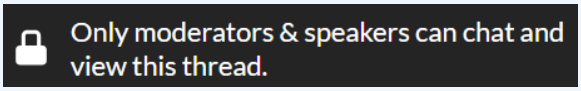


   Once moderators or speakers start chatting, their messages appear in the Backchannel.

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A message at the bottom of the Backchannel reminds you that only moderators and speakers can see the conversation.



Send and manage messages

Enter your message in the **Write your message** field to send a message to the other moderators and speakers.

You can also:

- Hover over a message and click the **Like** icon to like it.
- Hover over a message from another moderator or speaker and click the **Reply** icon to reply to it.
- Hover over one of your own messages and click the **Trashcan** icon to delete it.

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