#### Describe InterpretAmerica in three words.









in the field. It was a wonderful experience that generated a

lot of opportunities.

Breakout room discussing challenges coming with RSI encouragement during 2020 conference [¡Lenguas 2019!]

Listening to Bill Carr in person.

Feeling a part of my profession.

Lenguas 2019 in Mexico City

video demonstrating how interpreting went wrong

Lenguas 2019

The first summit was very exciting. I met so many key people





This is only my second event. However the covid event in 2020 was awesome!

listening to interpretation at the summits, especially the MIIS graduating students

Learn that technology developers wanted to hear from us

Been part of the profession and the passion for it too.

The positive approach to technology that I felt at the first conference I went to in DC.

I only participated in webinars by Katherine Allen and she was very informative and relatable.

The virtual conference last March was very affirming as it took place at the beginning of the pandemic. It was reassuring to know that there were folks out there who cared about us freelancers.

This was my first time joining IA and I am sad that it is the last session. However, I hope there will be more opportunities to have more organizations like IA in the near future!! Thank you for all of what you had advocated for us interpreters!

My favorite memory is to see the cameraderie between the presenters and their interpreter colleagues. It impressed me how down-to-earth they are.





The bringing together of interpreters from different segments and sectors, the tearing down of the walls between us, the realizations among colleagues of the commonalities that bond and bind us.

Enjoying hearing how you began and far you have come! I believe we have met at the Critical Link 7 with IAPTI in Toronto a few years back! Congratulations for all your accomplishments and I wish you both the best in your future endeavors!

Nataly Kelly's presentation about interpreting technology in 2011 blew me away! It opened my eyes to the future of interpreting.

First conference in DC, seeing all aspects of the profession coming together and respecting each other, while there had been huge chasms before

Being part of this movement is amazing! I have learned how to continue improving in the profession. When I grow up I want to be like you guys! Will miss the annual meetings with you!

Working the Technology panel on IA 2011

Celebrating my birthday at GALA 2016 while working with Barry and Katharine

Collaboration is key

Feeling as a part of the language services





My first Interpret America conference online, very affordable, \$25, that opened up so much of the interpreting world. I believe it was 2011 or 2012. Love the inclusion and innovation!

I had just moved from Monterey to Washington DC and this conference helped me feel at home and see the great conversation that had started from back home in Monterey. I regret I got extremely busy with work and couldn't continue my active presence.TX

I could only attend one conference and that was in 2011 summit. I learned a lot in that summit and for the first time I realized how much work is in front of us for learning and sharing as interpreters aside from translation.

An overwhelming number of meaningful meetings with people who immediately made connections: the sign of a good conference is your head swims: the sign of a great conference is the lasting relationships and changes that occur because of it!

My best and first experience was the last summit in 2020. I am new to the US and was trying to make my way to continue interpreting in my new country. It gave me more information on all the changes that were going on and made me feel I was not alone.

The finale. A wonderful event.

The sincerity of intent of the conversations at each event.

One thing I remember is how amazed I was to hear at a CHIA conference that Katharine hails from Bishop, California, not exactly a metropolitan hub! I am a "small town girl", and I admire you in more ways than I can express. Thank you!

As an instructor, I am doing my best to advocate for the profession and for the patients. Interpreting is not an easy field, especially now we have certification. I am finding interpreters being divided due to certification.





Continue to help fellow conference interpreters recognize how much we have in common with ALL interpreters in ALL sectors, continue to push for good working conditions for ALL interpreters. It is a blessing that we are moving forward but we need more resources to get all of us certified and recognized.





Get more involved with my T and I association		Promote Professional Development
Advocate and organize!	Mentoring	Create an Educational Interpreting Association!!
Get involved with your local and national associations	Getting involved	Launched interpreting training division TRANSLIT Pro





Continue advocating on a state and national level. And work on bringing clients--end users--in to the conversation.

Help newer interpreters be presenters

I just wrote an article for the Chronicle about OPI. I hope to keep writing articles and blogs on interpreting topics.

Push for interpreters working in teams

Advocate for myself and other interpreters.

Speaking on the subject

GALA Interpreting + Technologies Special Interest Group

Volunteer more during this pandemic and always!

Raise the awareness of language access at my school district.





Engagement, Mentorship, Awareness, Conferencing, Social media!

Use my public presence to spread the word about our profession, its role and its requirements.

Working at a high level with JNCL-NCLIS and ATA Advocacy to use my expertise to leave things better!

Advocate!

volunteering my time and knowledge to continue your legacy

I will lead seminars and events and speak publicly about standards of the profession and advocacy opportunities...I will stay involved in specific advocacy initiatives.

I am working to promote legislation in Texas to require the use of qualified/certified interpreters and translators in healthcare and educational settings.

Writing on the subject

Never stop learning!





Donate time & money to Advocacy	Mentoring	Launched interpreting training division TRANSLIT Pro.
Educate our lawmakers	Keeping professional while interpreting, no matter where.	Volunteer with ITE!
Advocate	Share some of the thoughts shared here today with all and sundry.	Educate indigenous speakers about their rights to request an interpreter





I will write to my State to include healthcare interpreters in Phase 1A to get the COVID19 vaccine. I will continuing fighting for better work conditions as a remote interpreter and will educate my clients and my colleagues from my local association.

I will work with the hospital system where I am a contract interpreter towards creating a department for I and T, to better support our growing Spanish-speaking population in NE Tennessee and SW Virginia.

I am retired, but I will continue explaining the profession at any event possible, from small and private to more public, such as schools, or other public forums. Continue advocating for our profession at my local county level, And advocating for integration of language access into disaster responses

Alway being a part of our professional organizations! Keep going to conferences, staying updated.

Bring even more partners together via CLI and Red T and continue the global movement

Promote Professional Development

Continue training and teaching The Community Interpreter program

Attend more of these educational events. Improve my technology knowledge





Advocate for unity:)

