



**Amber Galloway Gallego**

**About the Presenter:** Often praised for her ability to show the connection between lyrics and sounds, Amber Galloway Gallego's music interpretations demonstrate the emotional bonds which have driven music lovers to concerts for years. Her interpretations bring the music to life in a way that is not often seen in music interpreting. Deaf audience members have often said they are able to connect to the performance more than they ever had in the past. Ironically, it also has delighted and inspired hearing music aficionados.

Amber has always loved music and the Deaf community but it was not until she saw the San Antonio Deaf Dance Company and the Wild Zappers perform that she realized that she could hone her interpreting skills to bridge the access gap in the music industry. Her dreams

of becoming the first white female rapper went unrealized (outside of her shower) but she turned this passion and gift into a specialization in music interpreting, especially in hip hop and rap. Deaf people that truly love and adore music often request her because they know she will "bring it". Every song and genre is Amber's favorite! She has over 14 years of interpreting and has a Master's Degree in ASL/English Interpreting. Her certifications are RID CT/CI, NIC, Texas BEI Level V, Oral Certified: Comprehensive.