



## William Martinez

A native of Denver, William Martinez earned his Bachelor's Degree in Musical Theatre from the University of Northern Colorado. After graduating, he moved to Los Angeles, to pursue his acting/singing career. He has stayed in LA to enjoy the sunshine ever since! He is currently touring the educational market with his presentation SIGNing the Song: You Have Changed My Life and The Power of BELONGing inspiring teachers to remember how incredible their impact is on their students. They combine American Sign Language (ASL) with song and shares his inspirational story of growing up in a deaf household, discovering music, and celebrating the massive impact that one teacher had on his life. He also introduces how ASL in the classroom can create a new and effective way for teachers to communicate with their students.

In addition to his speaking engagements, William is also a professional actor/singer with many impressive credits and awards under his belt. He has done film, TV, voiceovers, and sings backup for Kristin Chenoweth whenever she is in the Los Angeles Area. He loves to give back to the community by performing for elementary school kids with Musical Theatre West, Musical Theatre Guild, and New West Symphony and is a proud member of Actors Equity. William thanks his wonderful family for their endless love and support. ILY!



## **Conference Sessions**

Saturday, April 27, 2023

Keynote 10:45-11:45 AM The Power of BELONGing

1:00-2:30 PM **ASL** in the Classroom