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Sylvia Falchuck's article on NAJIT'S XXVII annual educational conference, titled *Mi Experiencia como Capacitadora y Asistente en el Congreso de la NAJIT (My Experience as Presenter and Attendee at the NAJIT Annual Conference)*

Abstract

The article, in the Argentinian journal *Revista CTPCBA (Colegio de Traductores Públicos de la Ciudad de Buenos Aires)*, provides a detailed chronological description of NAJIT'S XXVII annual educational conference, which was held in Mc Lean, Virginia (near Washington D.C.) on May 19-21, 2017. The author is a translator in Argentina who presented a three-hour pre-conference session on the linguistic and political role of translators and interpreters working in Spanish. The article offers an interesting international perspective on NAJIT and the conference.

The author starts by highlighting that the conference was noteworthy for the diversity of the topics presented and points out how this congress provided her with new insights on the issues encountered by interpreters and translators in the U.S. and nine countries from around the world. The article includes a brief description of the various pre-conferences workshops and the guided tour of the capital city. The author makes a point that a deaf participant was provided with interpreting services throughout the conference as a right guaranteed by law. She also highlights the NAJIT conference app as containing not only the list of events but also places to visit in the Washington D.C. area. She comments that the app allowed participants to communicate among themselves to do networking or simply get together. The article also lists the various exhibitors that were present at the conference and the visit to Capitol Hill organized by the Advocacy Committee for members to meet with their congressional representatives.

She concludes by noting that the translation and interpreting professions are evolving and that it is of the most importance that younger generations, and those who are training them, be aware of this evolution and prepared to embrace change and the challenges it brings about.