### **Emma Martinez**

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#### **PROFILE**

Freelance translator of Spanish to English (mother tongue) with over 15 years' extensive experience in the fields of business, tourism, social sciences, music and the arts. Currently studying a Masters in Translation at Birmingham University (completion 2023). I am a published author, meticulous editor, writer and proof-reader with excellent research and analytical skills

#### **EXPERIENCE**

#### March 2021 Allison & Busby Ltd, Independent Publishers London, UK

- Commissioned to translate the texts of the illustrated children's books Small Great Gestures
- Connected with the author to verify content accuracy in the translation of texts dedicated to iconic figures in art and science

#### September 2018-October 2019 jobsforwriters.com

- Collaborated as Editor and author of academic papers for American and UK education system students at College and University level empowering candidates to achieve high academic scores
- Researched and improved texts working under tight deadlines
- Authored and edited academic papers, evaluated research and provided advice to motivate collaborating authors

# September 2017-October 2019 Department of Languages, Almería University, Spain

- Attained commissions to translate articles accepted for publication by academic journals in the fields of Psychology, Nursing, Sociology, Agriculture and Education
- Appointed to translate the online information regarding the University's MA programmes (37,000 words)

### May 2016 The Quarto Group PLC, leading global illustrated book publisher London

• Commissioned to translate the texts of Women in Art in the Little People Big Dreams series of illustrated children's books, selected as 'one of Oprah's Favourite Things' 2021

#### October 2005-February 2013 RGB Arte Visual, S.L, Madrid, Spain

- •Executed the translation of audio-visual content, treatises, texts and method books in the field of flamenco including Five Volumes of Manuel Granados' Academic Treatise of Flamenco Guitar
- Developed constructive communication with authors and artists to attain optimal transference of meaning

#### 1994-2003 Flamenco International Magazine, London, UK

 Produced content and performed reviews and evaluations of live and recorded performances, conducted interviews and contributed articles and news clips on the world of flamenco

### 1985-2002 Classical Guitar magazine, UK, Guitar International, UK, Guitar Review, USA

- Designated reviewer of CDs, concerts, books and scores creating structured evaluations and recommendations
- Conducted translations of contributions and submissions related to flamenco and the classical guitar

#### **EDUCATION**

## **2020-2023** Birmingham University MA in Translation Studies Competencies acquired:

- The use of appropriate strategies for communicative needs, work-specific quality objectives in the fields of business, consumer and general texts. Research, information mining and quality assurance techniques
- Application and assessment of Machine Translation, pre- and post-editing, Translation Memory and terminology management tools
- Source text analysis, clarifying customer requirements, assessing appropriate translation strategies
- Specialised Translation for business, social sciences, literary and tourism texts
- Multimodal translation for the arts and cultural heritage sector, undertook an audiodescription project for a local museum
- Professional development: personal strategies for continuous self-evaluation, collaborative learning and updating and developing competencies and skills
- 1500-word Extended Translation Project (to be completed)
- 2011 Qualified to Teach English as Foreign Language (TEFL)
- 1982 Associate Royal College of Music, London (ARCM), Classical Guitar
- 1978 International Baccalaureate, Ecole Internationale, Geneva, Switzerland

#### **SKILLS AND COMPETENCIES**

- 2012 Certified PRO Member of Proz.com
- **2003** Author of 'Flamenco, All You Wanted to Know', published by Mel Bay (USA). A rigorously researched and annotated history of flamenco culture and history

#### LINGUISTICS

- · Native English speaker, fluent in Spanish
- French conversation, intermediate B1

#### **SOFTWARE & CAT TOOLS**

- Proficient in Microsoft Office suite (Word, PowerPoint and Excel)
- Memsource
- Proofreading and Editing proficiency