

BANQUET KEYNOTE SPEAKER

MEAGHAN THOMAS | **Saturday, August 13 @8:00 PM**



Meaghan Thomas is a broadcast meteorologist for the ABC affiliate, WKRN News 2 in Nashville, Tennessee. She earned her bachelor's degree in Broadcast News & Geography from the University of Alabama then completed her master's degree in Broadcast Meteorology from Mississippi State University. Along with meteorology, her passions involve bringing awareness to the hard of hearing, Deaf and deaf communities. She proudly wears bi-lateral hearing aids and wants to encourage others that being different makes you special. She created a non-profit, The Heart of Hearing, Inc., to raise funding for young professionals who cannot afford hearing aids.

In addition, she is the author of the children's book, Heart of Hearing. Heart of Hearing is an

animated & entertaining story for children that encourages them to wear their aids. It highlights aspects of the world around us that would be missed if one chooses not to wear them and helps hearing children understand why one wears aids. A portion of the proceeds goes directly to her non-profit, The Heart of Hearing, Inc. To find out more information visit www.theheartofhearing.org.

She plans on talking about her journey growing up hard of hearing and how it has impacted all aspects of her life, personally and professionally. She will also touch on why she wrote a children's book and created a non-profit.
