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Short Biography: Has a Degree in Portuguese Sign Language Interpreting and a Master's Degree in Alternative Communication and Supporting Technologies with a thesis about SignWriting. Works as a Portuguese Sign Language interpreter at the Higher School of Education at Coimbra, Portugal. Is one of the interpreters of the Fátima Sanctuary and is a member of the interpreters' team of the Portuguese Federation of the Deaf Association, which works in the courts in collaboration with the Portuguese Justice Department. Since 2011, Rafaela has been interpreting live theatrical performances, mainly concerts. She is a board member of the National Association of Sign Language Interpreters. She is an active member of the Deaf Community.