

2022 PITCH CONTESTANTS

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Feeling discriminated against when ordering food at a drive-thru? Revolutionize your fast-food drive-thru dining experiences!

#DriveThruAccessibility

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Facing a bilingual communication roadblock? Learn about Sign-Speak, a real time automatic sign language recognition and avatar software that translates ASL to English and vice versa.

SAMANTHA MOORE

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Experience the first ever shopping website for the Deaf EcoSystem.

JESSICA WILLOUGHBY

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Find out about a subscription-based interactive learning site that focuses on reinforcing high levels of bilingual signacy and literacy development in K-12 Deaf students.

DEMARCO PITTMAN

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Know a Deaf role model? Grab the opportunity to grow personally and professionally by connecting with Deaf Mentors virtually.

JACOB PFAU-MARTINEZ

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Englewood, Colorado



Searching for high level ASL vlogs? Explore Vlog Academy!

MEET THE CONTESTANTS

Saturday, July 2: Exhibit Hall, 2-3 pm

Sunday, July 3: Exhibit Hall, 9-11 am

Sunday, July 3: Cocktail Mixer @ NAD@Night Pitch Finals, 7 pm (doors open 6:30 pm)

When you are ready to vote, consider the following:

VISIBILITY Clearly identifies the social issue and impact

INNOVATION Has creative action plans to address the issue

SUSTAINIBILITY Includes long-term solutions & strategies

PRESENTATION Is clear, concise, and persuasive

*Use this token to vote
for your favorite
Pitch Contestant
at the Exhibit Hall!*



This revamped competition (to be renamed but for now, it is "Youth Ambassador Program") is for deaf and hard of hearing youth, between ages 18 to 30, within the deaf community, and currently residing in the U.S.. Contestants will compete against each other to pitch the best idea of a social issue, business idea, or a startup concept. Winners will get prize money!