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El mundo y mi Cuba en el Diario (Eriginal Books, 2016), compiled and prologued by Vitalina Alfonso, gathers a representative sample of Uva de Aragón's journalistic work from 1994 to 2014, originally published in Miami's *Diario Las Américas*. The volume is divided into eight sections: "Family Histories," "Universal Themes," "Exile, Exodus, Reconciliation," "Cuban Celebrities," "Cuban Culture," "Book Readings," and "Tireless Traveler." These chronicles show the variety of issues approached by the author in her writings. According to the prologue, the volume offers readers the possibility of appreciating Aragón's "invariable eagerness to preserve the historical and cultural patrimony of the Cuban nation." The first edition of this book was published in 2015 by Ediciones Holguín and presented at Havana's International Book Fair in February 2016.

Born in Havana, Cuba, Dr. Uva de Aragón started publishing in the 1960s in U.S. newspapers and has since maintained a broad journalistic production. She has cultivated all literary genres, especially the short story, novel, essay, and poetry. She has participated in international conferences and lectured in the United States, Europe, and Latin America. She is the author of many books, including the novel *The Memory of Silence / Memoria del silencio* (2014, 2010, and 2002), also adapted for the theater; *Crónicas de la República de Cuba, 1902–1958* (2009); *El caimán ante el espejo: Un ensayo de interpretación de lo cubano* (2000/1993); *Los nombres del amor* (1996); and *Morir de exilio* (1996).

Vitalina Alfonso is a Cuban literary critic and editor. She is the author of several books, including *Un país para narrar* (2015), *Páginas recobradas* (2014), and *Ellas hablan de la Isla* (2002).

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