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Lecture by Uva de Aragón

Thursday, May 19, 2016 | 12:30 PM | FIU Modesto A. Maidique Campus | Green Library 220

José Martí was born on January 28, 1853 in a humble two-story house in Havana, Cuba. From a very early age he devoted himself to fight against Spanish colonialism and to build the foundations for a democratic, free Cuba. He was only 17 when he was detained and deported to Spain. He arrived in the United States in 1880 and spent almost the rest of his short life in New York: 15 years of ceaseless activity until he became a commanding figure in Cuba's struggle for independence. He died in battle at Dos Ríos, Oriente, on May 19, 1895, at the age of 42. In her lecture, Dr. Uva de Aragón will offer a brief summary of the life and literary works of Cuba's Founding Father, as well as focus on the events leading to his untimely death, and its consequences for Cuba. She will reflect on his legacy and its significance now and for the future of Cuba and Cuban Americans.

Born in Havana, Dr. Uva de Aragón has published a dozen books of poems, essays, short stories, a novel, and a play. Some of her works have been translated into English and appear in textbooks and anthologies such as *Cubana*, *The Voice of the Turtle*, and *Cuban-American Theater*. Her novel *The Memory of Silence/Memoria del silencio*, translated by Jeffrey C. Barnett, was published in a bilingual edition by Cubanabooks in 2014. Her latest book, *El mundo y mi Cuba en el Diario*, a selection of journalistic articles, was printed and distributed by Ediciones Holguín, Cuba, in 2016. Until her retirement in 2011, she was Associate Director of the Cuban Research Institute at FIU, where she also taught courses on Cuba. She is a columnist for *El Nuevo Herald*. Since 2010, her articles and other postings appear in her blog *Habanera soy* (<http://uvadearagon.wordpress.com/>).

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