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Children's songs are a natural way to play and communicate with children around the world. A child can understand his or her world better and share emotions while singing with friends and caretakers. The purpose of this presentation is to share the findings of the author's research at the Díaz-Ayala Music Collection at FIU about Caribbean children's songs. The talk will emphasize songs for preschoolers and their possibilities of being adapted for instrumental playing as well as for family-based music education programs. Finding Cuban children's songs has not been an easy task. They should be shared in the same manner as other forms of popular music.

Dr. Marta Hernández Candelas is a Professor in the Graduate Program in Music Education at the Conservatory of Music of Puerto Rico. She has been the manager of national music education projects such as "Awakening Musical" and is a violin teacher of the Suzuki Method. In addition, she practices music therapy in the Neurointensive Unit of the Hospital HIMA San Pablo in Caguas, Puerto Rico. She has also worked as a professional violist for the Puerto Rico Symphony Orchestra, the Illinois Symphony Orchestra, and various chamber music ensembles. Professor Hernández Candelas has a doctorate in Music Education from the University of Granada in Spain, a master's degree in String Pedagogy, and a bachelor's degree in Viola Performance, both from Temple University, and a second master's degree in Music Therapy from Illinois State University. She is a recipient of the 2017 Díaz-Ayala Library Travel Grants at FIU.

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