



Spain's 1939 Exiles in the Americas and Maryland



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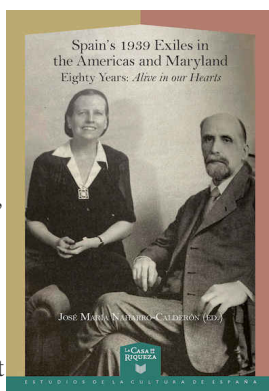
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Spanish writer José María Naharro-Calderón presents his book "Spain's 1939 Exiles in the Americas and Maryland – Eighty Years, Alive in Our Hearts."

Exile, a global and protean phenomenon, touched about half million Spanish Republican refugees at the end of the 1936-39 War in Spain. Contrary to Mexico's significant sheltering, the USA mainly admitted a select group of intellectuals: notably, Zenobia Camprubí and her partner, the 1956 Nobel Prize for Literature recipient, Juan Ramón Jiménez, University of Maryland (1943-1951), Pedro Salinas (Johns Hopkins University), or women like Carmen Aldecoa, or Carmen de Zulueta, who kept alive the progressive gender and education claims from the Second Spanish Republic (1931-1939) at other schools and universities.



Nevertheless, widely supported relief organizations and leftist publications channeled aid for the exiles, and rose antifascist awareness for U.S. intellectuals such as Noam Chomsky. Contributions herein this volume, generated 80 years later at the University of Maryland during an international symposium (2019), throughout a continuing academic interest for this diaspora, will illuminate readers on the depth of Spanish exile studies in the Americas, and some lasting contributions from this significant group of witnesses.

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