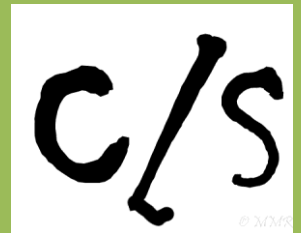


Chicano/a & Latino/a Literature Series at the University of California, Merced



PRESENTS:

**SILVIO
SIRIAS**

**reading from his works
and discussing literature**



**Tuesday, November 1, 2011
3:00-4:00 p.m.**

**COB 114
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Silvio Sirias is the author of the novels *Bernardo and the Virgin* and the award-winning *Meet Me Under the Ceiba*. A late bloomer in the writing of fiction, Sirias previously wrote and edited several books on Latino and Latina literature including *Julia Alvarez: A Critical Companion*, *Conversations with Rudolfo Anaya*, and *Tropical Town and Other Poems*. Sirias was born in Los Angeles, California and grew up there until the age of eleven, when his family moved to Granada, Nicaragua, his parents' country of origin. He considers this move the most significant milestone in his life as it shaped his bicultural and bilingual outlook. He returned to Los Angeles to attend college. Eventually, he received his doctorate in Spanish from the University of Arizona and worked as a professor of Spanish and U.S. Latino and Latina literature for several years before returning to live in Nicaragua in 1999. He moved to Panama in 2002.

For information on forthcoming events, please contact the Series organizer, Dr. Manuel M. Martín-Rodríguez, mmartin-rodriguez@ucmerced.edu

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