

Two Families and One Artist on the
Eve of the Expulsion:
Jews, Conversos, Foreigners, and
Muslims Living in Avila, 1440s-1492

Prof. Teofilo F. Ruiz

UCLA

St Teresa of Avila





Map of Avila

Walls of Avila



Muslims in the *Cantigas of Santa Maria*



Mudejars in Avila

- Contuerzo
- de la Calle
- The familial network of Ali Caro

Foreigners



Pilgrim



Merchants



Painters in Avila

- Sansón
- Nicolás, his brother.
- Born in Florence and Avila's *vecinos*



Painters in Avila

Sansón's family:

- Marina López, wife
- Diego, son (born around mid-fifteenth century)
- Juana, criada



Painters in Avila

Jewish craftsmen
working with Sansón:

- Ysaque Faro
- Mosé Denón
- Both *vecinos* de Avila



Jews in the *Cantigas of Santa Maria*

Jews in the *Cantigas of Santa Maria*



Protagonists



Jews in the *Cantigas of Santa Maria*

- Conversos:
 - Alfonso Gonzalez de Sigüenza
 - Mari(a) Gonzalez
 - Isabel
 - Pedro Guillen de Sevilla
- Jews:
 - Don Mosé Levi
 - Reyna
 - Diego

St Teresa of Avila

