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“Rodriguez is skillful at rendering the aura of East L.A.” (Kirkus Reviews)

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About the Author

Luis J. Rodriguez is the author of several critically acclaimed books, including *Always Running*, *The Republic of East L.A.*, and *Hearts and Hands*, as well as poetry and books for children. He lives with his family in California.

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