

ARNOLD AUGUST U.K. BOOK TOUR

Author of:
Cuba and its Neighbours
Democracy in Motion

Wednesday, December 4th

| 1.00pm, Seminar Room 204
University of Cambridge, Centre of Latin American Studies |
Cambridge

Thursday, December 5th

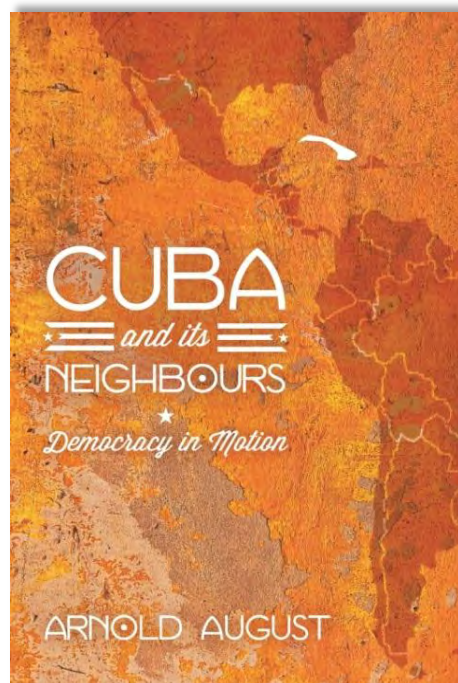
| 3.00pm
University of Sheffield, International Politics | Sheffield

Friday, December 6th

| Lunchtime
University of Nottingham

Saturday, December 7th

| 9.30 - 4.30pm
Latin America Conference, Congress House | London



Arnold August is a Montreal-based writer, journalist and lecturer, and author of *Democracy in Cuba and the 1997–98 Elections*. He has also contributed a chapter entitled ‘Socialism and Elections’ to Azicri and Deal’s edited collection *Cuban Socialism in a New Century*.

**For further information on Arnold and his work visit www.democracycuba.com.
To schedule an interview call 0207 8378466.**

About *Cuba and its Neighbours*:

In this groundbreaking book, Arnold August explores Cuba's unique form of democracy, presenting a detailed and balanced analysis of Cuba's electoral process and the state's functioning between elections. By comparing them with practices in the U.S., Venezuela, Bolivia and Ecuador, August shows that people's participation in politics and society is not limited to a singular, U.S.-centric understanding of democracy.

Through this deft analysis, August illustrates how the process of democratization in Cuba is continually in motion and argues that a greater understanding of different political systems teaches us to not be satisfied with either blanket condemnations or idealistic political illusions.

‘A must-read for anybody seriously interested in Cuba and in the overall question of democracy and its practices.’ Claudia Kaiser-Lenoir, Tufts University

‘A tour de force from an expert who clearly knows his field well.’ Antoni Kapcia, University of Nottingham

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