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BASED IN MEXICO CITY, SANDRA FERNÁNDEZ IS A SOMMELIER, CERTIFIED SPIRITS SPECIALIST, AND TEQUILA EXPERT WHO HAS DEVOTED THE PAST 20 YEARS TO THE FOOD, WINE AND SPIRITS INDUSTRY. SHE IS CONSIDERED BY HER PEERS AND THE MEDIA AS THE MOST RECOGNIZED SOMMELIER IN THE COUNTRY AND A TOP OPINION LEADER. SHE HOLDS THE HIGHEST NUMBER OF CERTIFICATIONS IN THE WINE FIELD IN MEXICO, HAVING STUDIED AT THE COURT OF MASTER SOMMELIERS, THE SOCIETY OF WINE EDUCATORS, THE CULINARY INSTITUTE OF AMERICA, UC DAVIS, THE REGULATORY COUNCIL OF JEREZ, THE NATIONAL ACADEMY OF TEQUILA TASTERS, AND LE CORDON BLEU.

FERNÁNDEZ' DEEP UNDERSTANDING OF WINE BRINGS AN UNPARALLELED LEVEL OF EXPERTISE TO TEQUILA TRAINING AND TASTINGS, WHERE SHE IS FULLY

KNOWLEDGEABLE ABOUT ALL ASPECTS OF TEQUILA, FROM ITS ORIGINS TO THE NUANCES OF PRODUCTION TO CASA DRAGONES' ROLE IN THE CULINARY WORLD.

PRIOR, SHE WAS CHIEF SOMMELIER AND WINE DIRECTOR OF GRUPO LA EUROPEA, THE MOST IMPORTANT WINE AND SPIRIT RETAILER IN MEXICO. HER UNPARALLELED EXPERTISE HAS BEEN RECOGNIZED BY *EL CONOCEDOR* MAGAZINE, THE ASSOCIATION OF MEXICAN SOMMELIERS, AND SHE HAS BEEN NAMED BY *LÍDERES MEXICANOS* MAGAZINE AS "ONE OF THE 25 MOST INFLUENTIAL WINE LEADERS" FOR FIVE CONSECUTIVE YEARS. SHE IS THE FIRST WOMAN TO SPEAK ABOUT MEXICAN WINE IN THE UNITED STATES DURING SEVERAL KEYNOTE SPEAKER ENGAGEMENTS. TODAY, SHE WORKS WITH CASA DRAGONES TEACHING AN EXTENSIVE TEQUILA PROFICIENCY COURSE.