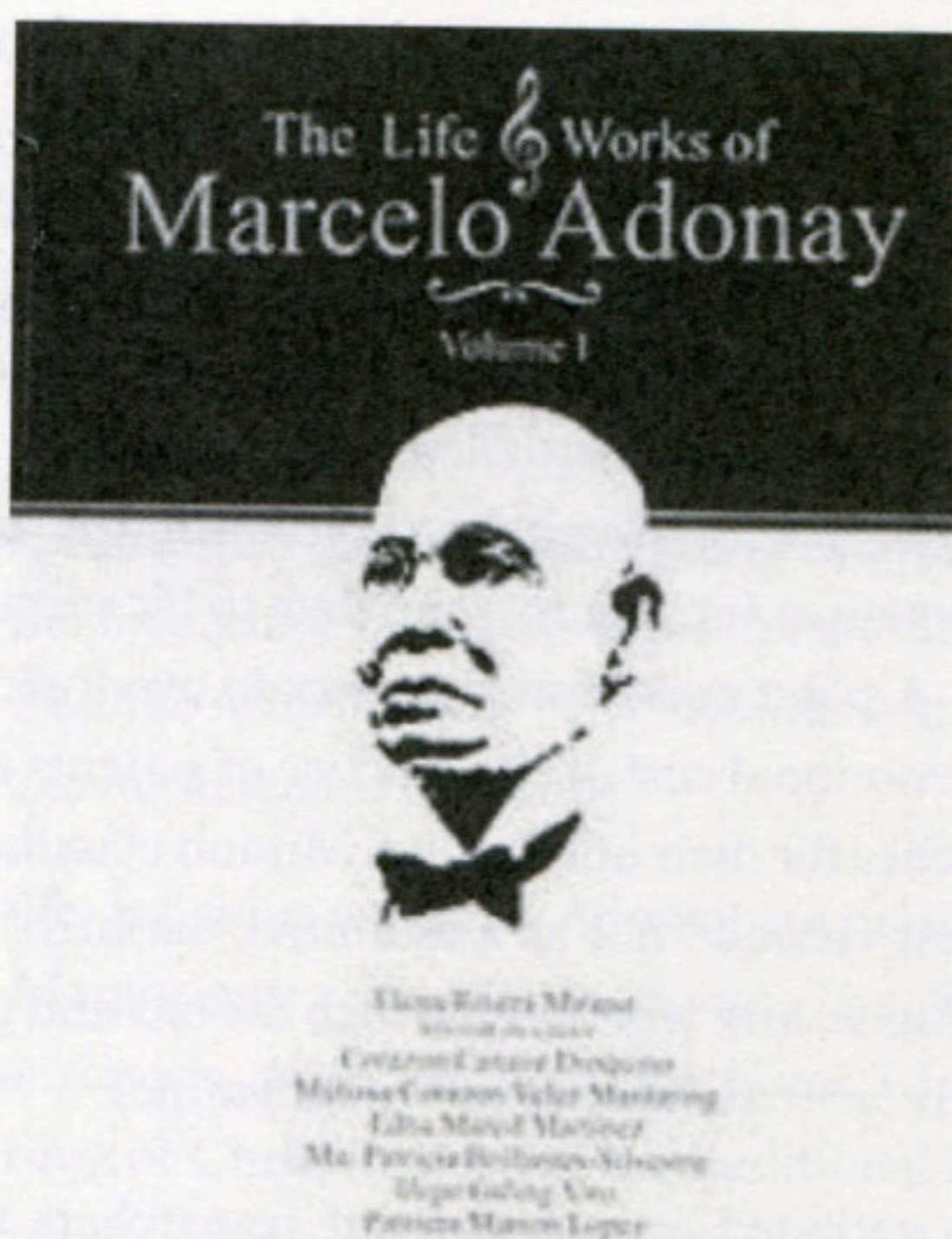




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A Book Review by Regalado Trota Jose

Marcelo Adonay was born in 1848 in Pakil, Laguna. At the age of eight he was sent to live with the Augustinian friars in Intramuros, Manila. Here he learned to play and write music, and he eventually became that church's organist and director of the orchestra. He eventually settled with his family in Malate, Manila. There he died in 1928, his generation's most celebrated musician.

A biography of the *maestro* ("The Case of Marcelo Adonay, Musician") was painstakingly reconstructed by Elena Rivera Mirano, the book's editor-in-chief and Adonay's principal initiator for his musical canonization. There was a small number of printed articles on Adonay,