

## **Van Nuys man who escaped from Castaic jail is sentenced in robbery case**

One of two Van Nuys men who escaped last month from a county jail facility and was recaptured hours later was sentenced today to 28 1/2 years behind bars for a March 2009 robbery spree.

Jose Antonio Aldana, 24, was convicted May 4 of home invasion robbery, second-degree robbery, false imprisonment by violence and assault with a firearm.

A separate jury convicted co-defendant — and fellow escapee — Winder Estuardo Barrios, 24, of the robbery spree, with jurors also finding true allegations that Barrios had personally used a shotgun.

Barrios is facing a 50-year prison term when he is sentenced June 25.

The case stemmed from a string of armed robberies in the Hollywood area on March 26, 2009, and a home invasion robbery in Encino, in which the housekeeper and the homeowner's daughter were tied up at gunpoint and televisions and computers were stolen.

Aldana and Barrios escaped from the North County Correctional Facility near Castaic on April 28. The two were found hiding in a metal storage container about a mile and a half from the jail, authorities said.