



*Michael Castro*  
*Poet*

Michael Castro has published ten books of poetry, most recently *How Things Stack Up* (2014). He has translated, with Gabor G. Gyukics, more than sixty modern Hungarian poets, and the team have produced an anthology and three books by individuals, including *A Transparent Lion: Selected Poetry of Attila Jozsef*, Hungary's most popular modern poet. Castro is the co-founder of the literary organization and magazine *River Styx*. He hosted the Poetry Beat radio program for fifteen years and the River Styx at Duff's poetry series for twenty. He has been performing with musical artists in the United States and Europe since the 1970's. His collaborations with musicians are recorded on six CD albums.

He has been honored as a Warrior Poet and Guardian Angel of St. Louis Poetry, both awards for lifetime achievement.

In 2014 he was named one of St. Louis's top fifty writers by the St. Louis History Museum.

In 2015 he became St. Louis's first Poet Laureate.