

The Poems

Each poem by Kostas Kartelias offers a unique encounter with the world he has created through memory, language, and human experience. While every work stands on its own, together the poems form a coherent body of writing that reflects a consistent artistic vision. They invite readers into familiar places, meaningful relationships, and moments that reveal the emotional depth of everyday life.

The poems explore a wide range of subjects without losing their distinctive voice. Memory, people, landscapes, time, identity, and cultural heritage appear in different combinations, allowing each poem to illuminate a particular aspect of the human experience. Through clear language and vivid imagery, Kartelias transforms personal recollections into reflections that speak to readers beyond their original setting.

Read individually, each poem offers its own perspective and emotional journey. Read together, they reveal the richness and unity of Kartelias's poetic universe. This collection encourages readers to return repeatedly, discovering new connections between memory, people, places, and the enduring emotions that bind them together.