

Why Poetry?

Poetry gives language the ability to express experiences that ordinary speech cannot fully capture. Through rhythm, imagery, and carefully chosen words, it transforms observation into meaning and emotion into lasting expression. A poem invites readers not only to understand an idea, but also to feel it.

Unlike everyday communication, poetry embraces suggestion as well as explanation. It leaves space for imagination, memory, and personal interpretation, allowing each reader to discover new meanings over time. The same poem may speak differently at different stages of life, reflecting changing experiences and perspectives.

For Kostas Kartelias, poetry is a way of preserving memory while exploring universal human themes. His work demonstrates how language can bridge the personal and the collective, creating a lasting dialogue between writer and reader. Poetry endures because it continues to reveal new insights with every reading.