



The MultiCultural Center presents

# The Maverick Poetics of Juan Felipe Herrera A Conversation & Reading

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and Poet Laureate Juan Felipe Herrera*

Join us at the MCC with Juan Felipe Herrera, the first Latino U.S. Poet Laureate (2015-2017) and former California Poet Laureate (2012-2014), is a prolific writer with a career spanning over half a century.

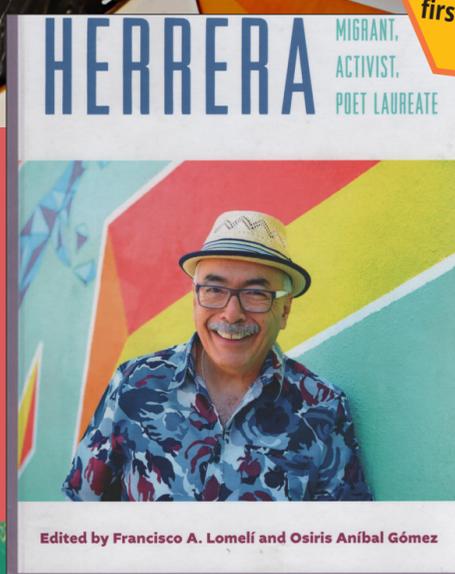
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**Week 1**  
**Thursday**  
**April 3rd**  
**4-5:30 pm**  
**MCC Theater**

With 37 books to his name, his work pushes creative boundaries, blending poetry, memoir, theater, visual art, and revolutionary discourse. Drawing inspiration from Whitman, Neruda, Ginsberg, and Anzaldúa, Herrera's avant-garde poetics explore themes of (im)migration, identity, and social justice. A true "people's poet," he captures both personal and transnational struggles, earning prestigious accolades such as the MacArthur "Genius" Award, the American Book Award, and the PEN/Beyond Margins Award.

Some examples  
of Herrera's books  
will be distributed  
on a first-come,  
first-served basis



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