

Curriculum Vitae

Dejan Stojanović

Poet · Philosopher · Writer · Essayist
Serbian–American
(Chicago / Belgrade)

Basic Information

Name: Dejan Stojanović
Year of Birth: 1959
Place of Birth: Peć, Kosovo (former Yugoslavia)
Citizenship: Serbian and United States
Fields: Metaphysics, Philosophy of Physics, Philosophy of Meaning, Poetry, Prose, Essays
Languages: Serbian (native), English (fluent)

Education

Law Degree
University of Priština
(Completed; did not practice law)

Professional Profile

Dejan Stojanović is a Serbian–American poet, philosopher, and essayist whose work spans metaphysics, philosophy of physics, philosophy of meaning, and poetry. He is the author of multiple poetry pentalogies in Serbian and English, two major essay collections, and the philosophical work *Absolute*, which forms the foundation of the larger project **The Absolute: Theory of Coherence (TOE)**.

In the 1990s, he worked as a journalist and foreign correspondent, conducting a series of in-depth interviews with prominent writers and artists, which were later published as *Conversations*. He lived in Chicago from 1990 to 2014 and has been active as both a writer and an entrepreneur.

Career

Journalism and Interviews

During the 1990s, Stojanović worked as a cultural correspondent for the Serbian opposition magazine *Pogledi*. Over that period, and through continued literary engagement, he conducted

interviews with major literary and artistic figures, including Nobel laureate Saul Bellow, poet Charles Simic, Oscar-winning screenwriter Steve Tesich, writer and filmmaker Nadja Tesich, and painter Ljuba Popović.

These interviews were later collected and published in Serbian as *Razgovori* (1999) and in English as *Conversations: Book of Interviews* (2025). The Serbian edition received the **Rastko Petrović Prize** from the Serbian Heritage Foundation and the Association of Writers of Serbia.

Philosophical Works

Absolute

New Avenue Books, Chicago
– 2nd Edition, 2025
– 3rd Expanded Edition, 2025

Novočovek i novosvet

Albatros Plus, Belgrade, 2022
(English edition forthcoming)

The Absolute: Theory of Coherence (TOE)

Multi-volume philosophical project (in progress)

Essay Collections

Creator and Creating

Albatros Plus, Belgrade, 2021
(English edition forthcoming)

Razgovori

NIP Književna reč, Belgrade, 1999

Conversations: Book of Interviews

New Avenue Books, Chicago, 2025

Poetry (Serbian – Selected Books)

Krugovanje (Circling), Narodna knjiga–Alfa, Belgrade

– 1st ed. 1993; expanded editions 1998, 2000

Sunce sebe gleda (The Sun Watches the Sun), Belgrade, 1999

Znak i njegova deca (The Sign and Its Children), Belgrade, 2000

Tvoritelj (The Creator), Belgrade, 2000

Oblik (The Shape), Podgorica, 2000
Ples vremena (The Dance of Time), Belgrade, 2007
Skrivena svetlost (The Hidden Light), Belgrade, 2018
Iskra iskona (Primordial Spark), Belgrade, 2021
Vekovi i koraci (Centuries and Steps), Belgrade, 2023

Poetry Pentalogies

The World in Nowhereness (Serbian, 2017)
Association of Writers of Serbia (UKS), Belgrade

1. *Ozar*
2. *The World and God*
3. *Nowhereness in the World*
4. *The World and Humans*
5. *The Home of Light*

The World in Nowhereness (English translation)
New Avenue Books / Albatros Plus, 2024
Translated by Željko Mitić
(*Shakespeare in Cosmos* translated by Petra Grujin)

Internal books (English editions):

- *Shakespeare in Cosmos*, trans. Petra Grujin, New Avenue Books, 2024
(Second internal book of *Ozar*)
- *Nowhereness within Nowhereness*, New Avenue Books, 2024
(Second internal book of *Nowhereness in the World*)
- *The Possibility of Cognition*, trans. Željko Mitić, New Avenue Books, 2024
(Final section of the third, central book of the pentalogy)

Collected Poems (English)

Collected Poems 1978–2000
New Avenue Books, Chicago, 2025
(Five-book poetic pentalogy)

Embrace of Light and Darkness (English, 2025)

New Avenue Books, Chicago

Five-book poetic pentalogy written originally in English:

- *Dance of Sounds*
- *The Matter of Matter*
- *All Women in One*
- *The Home of the World*
- *The Light of the Mind*

Prose

Strange Thoughts

New Avenue Books, Chicago, 2025

Editorial and Anthology Work

- *Selected Serbian Plays*, New Avenue Books, 2016 (co-editor)
- *Selected Serbian Comedies*, New Avenue Books, 2018 (afterword)
- *Serbian Satire and Aphorisms*, New Avenue Books, 2017 (afterword)

Awards

- **Rastko Petrović Prize** (1999)

Serbian Heritage Foundation & Association of Writers of Serbia
(for *Razgovori / Conversations*)

Affiliations

- Association of Writers of Serbia

Current Research Interests

- Ontology and metaphysics
- Foundations of physical law
- Philosophy of time and infinity
- Meaning and intelligibility
- Relations between mathematics, physics, and metaphysics