István Kemény

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Poet and writer. He was born in 1961 in Budapest, Hungary. He studied Hungarian and History at ELTE Budapest University, graduated in 1990. He taught creative writing at ELTE Budapest University, at JATE University of Szeged and at Pázmány Péter University. Besides, he worked for various tv-series as a scriptwriter. His first volume of poetry was published in 1984. He has written several Hungarian books (poems, novels, essays); his poems have been printed in international anthologies; in addition, he also published volumes of poetry abroad: in German, French, Bulgarian, Spanish, Polish and Rumanian. He wrote two novels: One of them was published in German in Vienna. His latest volume of poetry *Nílus (Nile)* was published in Budapest by "Magvető" in spring of 2018. István Kemény was awarded several literary prizes for his poems, novels and essays in Hungary. He lives in Budapest.

István Kemény is regarded as one of the most important and influential writers in contemporary Hungarian literature.

Reading

István Kemény reads on Oct 6th (7 p.m.) at the Collegium Hungaricum in Vienna.