

# Alberto Ríos



Born of a Mexican father and a British mother in the border city of Nogales, Arizona, Alberto Ríos has lived his life between cultures. He extends the metaphor of in-betweenness to language, claiming that he speaks three languages: Spanish, English, and a combination of the two. This linguistic richness gives Ríos's verse a touch of magical realism, as in his collection *Whispering to Fool the Wind*.