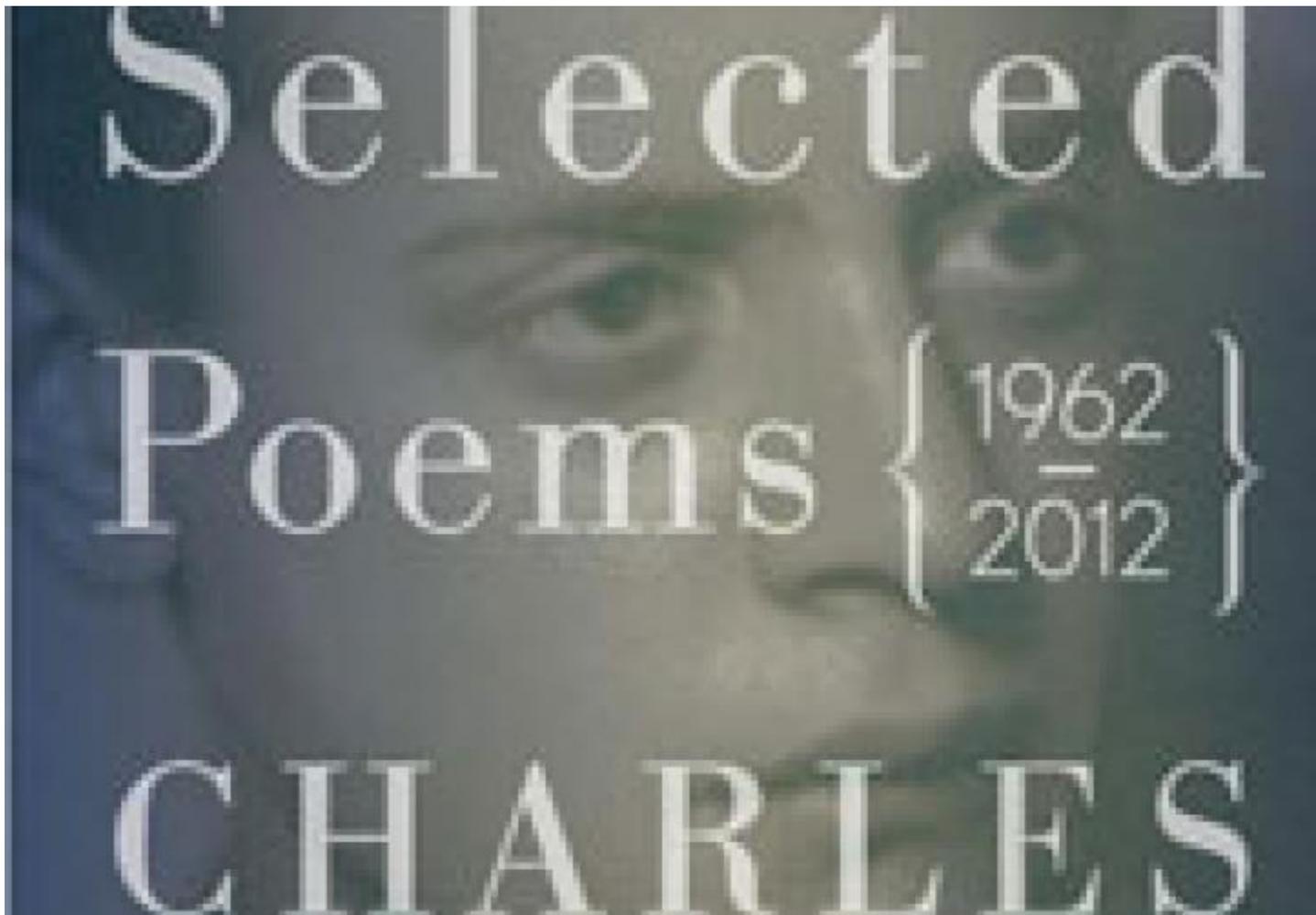


Charles Simic Publishes New Book of Poetry

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Prolific poet Charles Simic has published a new book of poetry. Professor Simic was born in Belgrade and emigrated to the United States in 1954. He is the author of many books of poetry and prose. Among other honors, he has received the Pulitzer Prize for

Poetry, a MacArthur Grant, and served as the Poet Laureate of the United States in 2007–2008. Professor Simic teaches in the MFA Program in Writing at UNH.

New and Selected Poems: 1962-2012

by Charles Simic

Houghton Mifflin Harcourt, 2013

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