

CATAWBA COLLEGE

Michael Parker

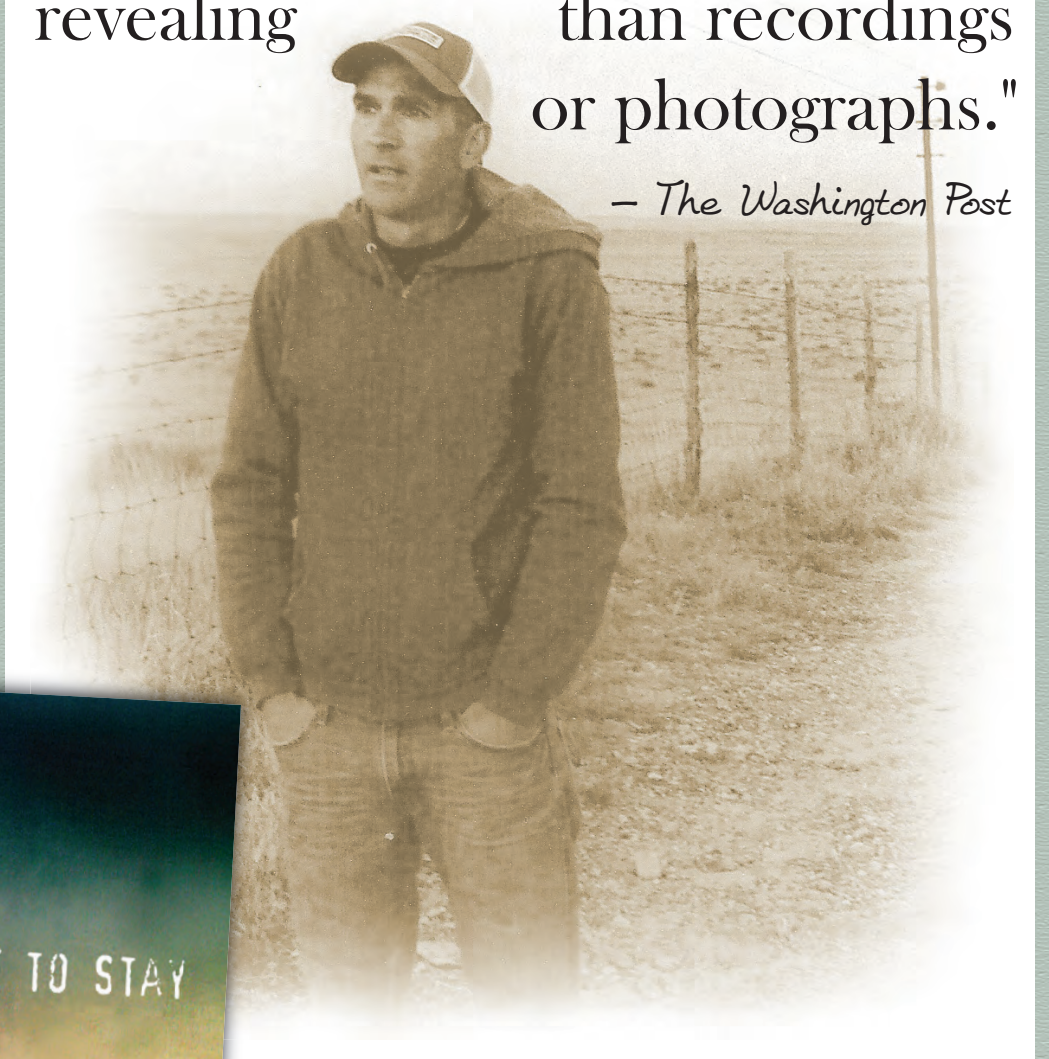
ACCLAIMED FICTION WRITER

Feb. 7 7:30 pm

TOM SMITH AUDITORIUM

"In prose languid and mysterious.
... Parker writes descriptions as
precise as line engravings, more
revealing than recordings
or photographs."

— *The Washington Post*



Acclaimed fiction writer Michael Parker will read his work on Monday, February 7, at 7:30 on the campus of Catawba College.

A professor in the MFA Writing Program at the University of North Carolina at Greensboro, Parker is the author of five novels – "Hello Down There," "Towns Without Rivers," "Virginia Lovers," "If You Want Me To Stay," "The Watery Part of the World" and two collections of stories, "The Geographical Cure" and "Don't Make Me Stop Now." His fiction and nonfiction have appeared in various journals including "Five Points," "The Georgia Review," "The Idaho Review," "The Washington Post," "New York Times Magazine," "Oxford American," "Shenandoah," "The Black Warrior Review," "Trail Runner" and "Runner's World."

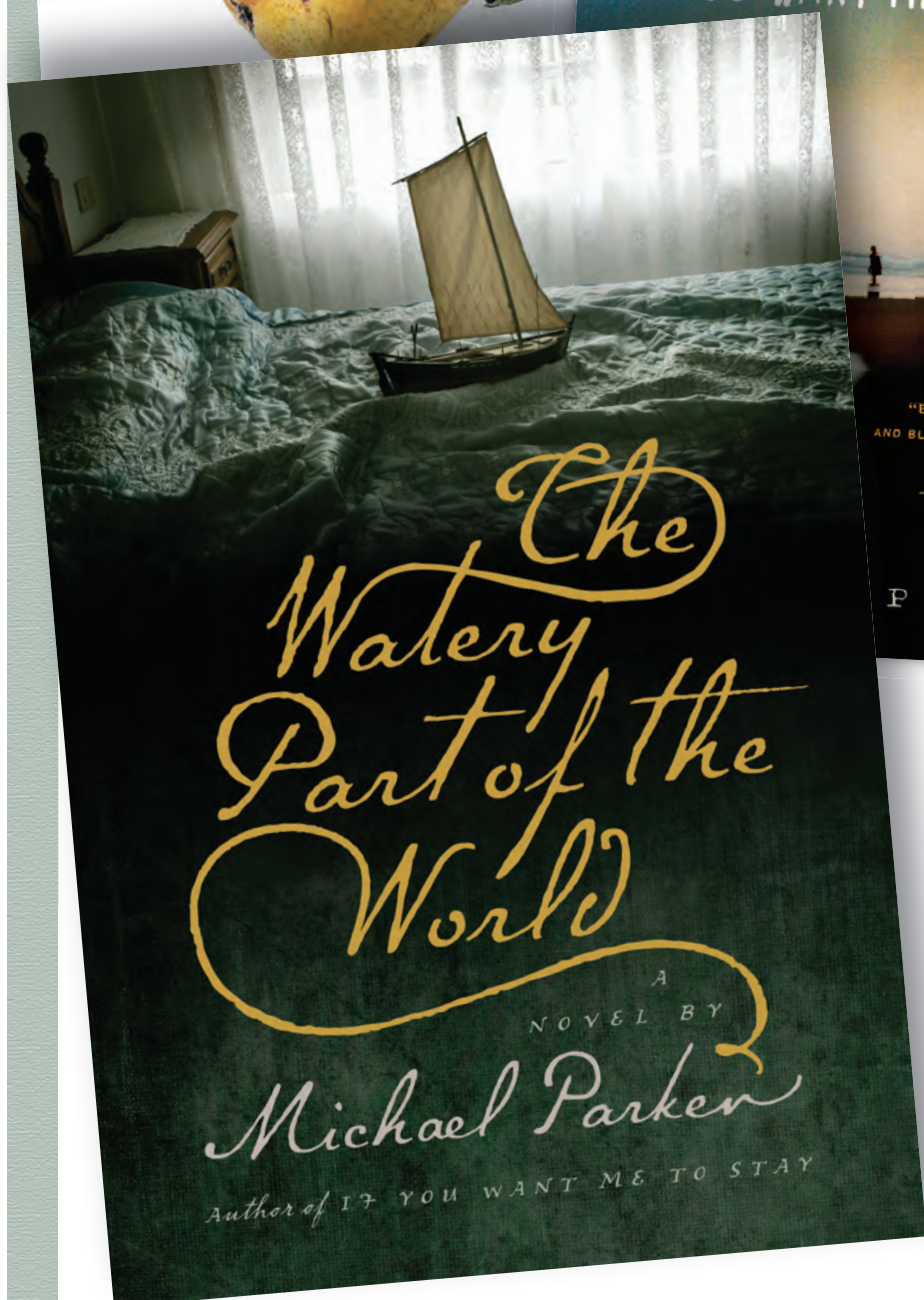
Parker has received fellowships in fiction from the North Carolina Arts Council and the National Endowment for the Arts, as well as the Hobson Award for Arts and Letters, and the North Carolina Award for Literature. His work has been anthologized in the "Pushcart," "New Stories from the South" and "O. Henry Prize Stories" anthologies. He is a graduate of UNC-Chapel Hill and the University of Virginia.

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DON'T MAKE ME STOP NOW



IF YOU WANT ME TO STAY



"There's a big-hearted
fearlessness in Michael Parker's
work that, quite honestly, I envy."

— *Colum McCann*, winner of the National Book
award for *Let the Great World Spin* and
our featured author for our upcoming
2011 Brady Author's Symposium on March 3rd.