

Poem written by a garden volunteer at the CASA Community Garden in Sooke (Sooke Child, Youth & Family Centre, 2145 Townsend Rd, Sooke)

The CASA Community Garden is an Edward Milne Community School Society (EMCSS) project that was started in 2005 with the help community members, local businesses and the CASA service agencies. The garden serves as a teaching space for those who are interested in learning to grow food. Volunteers get together three times a week to work in the garden, and it is because of the immense generosity and commitment of these volunteers that the garden is the wonderful space it is today.

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CASA GARDEN TENDRILS

Morning dew clinging to leaf
and stem
the sun's rays penetrating
every droplet

Moonlit rowdies came
through again
shedding detritus of the
evenings revelries...

Moonshine bottles of
yesteryear,
now blazing
greenhouses
in miniature....

Manna from heaven
seeds planted and
blown from 4 winds
taking root...digging deep
drinking earth and sunshine

Manure piled high
composting black gold...
the fingernails inevitably
clinging to soil...
elated to caress Earth
so intimately



Manifold tendrils
dispersing expanding
bursting forth
the Stream of Life
such irresistable joy!

Manifesting Paradise
"Pairidaeza"...in old Persian
garden gate welcoming
all who enter to take part
in this daily miracle

Maternal Womb
a place of healing
encapsulating
sanctuary
amidst the hub bub
of the workaday

"Morada"...dwelling place
"Casa"...lodge, gathering place
nurturing community
in a cocooned green space
growing food and flower
and friendship

Mellow Music
grooving from beat box
fire rocking to rhythm
giving heat...cooking feast
we come to celebrate
and give thanks
for this bounty

Memories of Epicurus
Greek `Lover of Sohpia'
his tender words spring to mind:
"Stranger, you will do well
to tarry...this garden
does not whet your appetite
but quenches it."