



As she looked up  
at the blank  
walls,  
an idea came to  
her mind!

Maria started to paint  
bold blue asters,  
white moon flowers  
that bloom at midnight,  
and yellow sunflowers  
that smile in the  
morning.



Mama would tell Maria:

"You are a girl made of many colors—  
Sun-yellow Hope,  
Ocean-blue Faith,  
Poppy-red Determination,  
and Golden Love.

Always remember the colors in  
your heart!"

Maria would close her  
eyes and fall asleep.

Underneath the warm blanket  
of night, magic bloomed in her  
mind.



A carriage made of wildflowers,  
pulled Maria away  
to a world of  
dreams.

Darkness turned to color,  
Tears of sadness  
watered the flowers of joy.

