

A whimsical illustration of a girl with long brown hair, wearing a light-colored dress with a red patterned sash, painting flowers on a white wall. She is holding a paintbrush and is in the process of painting a blue aster. The wall is already decorated with several yellow sunflowers, blue asters, and red crescent moons. A window on the left shows a cat looking out. The scene is set under a thatched roof, and there are green bushes at the bottom. Bees and butterflies are scattered throughout the scene.

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.



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

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

