

# Adult Poetry 2<sup>nd</sup> Place

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### **Planting Development**

**Skagit Living from Farmer to Framer**

Designs embedded in life-giving seeds  
whose beauty is born only when buried  
in crumbling compost of buildings past,  
those noble structures of nature's cast  
sunken in concrete gardens untilld,  
awaiting the call of the architect's will.

Saplings from their remnants grow,  
brick by brick organic Patterns unfold—  
new spaces Alive that rise from the seed,  
encasing the scope of everyone's need.

A city replayed, a story retold—  
evergreens frame this welcome abode.

Roots grasp foundations dear  
and shape the growing town's veneer.

From cornerstone to trusses climb  
living homage, the offspring's vine,  
whose blossoms pave this Timeless way,  
cascading toward an unlived day.