

## "Words' Worth" Poetry Readings

Poets at the Culture, Arts, and Parks Committee of the Seattle City Council.

### **Vernal II, spring equinox** by Salem

In the end there is no end, but to begin again  
Ananas comosus

Out from the sleeve of dawn day dew  
out from the black majik of winter's dearth dirt  
we see the world renewed  
no small trick

and in you, of summer solstice conceived  
and vernal equinox born  
i have blissed on the tale  
of daffodil and pomegranates: quarry  
the sweetening of life  
the candy of the land  
of spring, dawn and morn

call it floral shock or sweet brown chocolate  
call it wonkavision or Edenic Ananas comosus  
call it mad medicine mood spring or mudslide  
no daffodil need decide just how to heliotrope  
all time known the ropes, dig  
dig the turning tides  
dig the wealth of earth  
on this year's first morn

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