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# Woman Swallowed By The Earth: Poems

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## Synopsis

Earth awareness, spiritual seeking of the flesh, acceptance of mortality...a poetic dance into the fire.

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This fine book of recent poems, dedicated to the casa de locos or house of craziness, is Ms. Langley surrendering to the power of nature, her soul at once innocent and knowing. There is a sense of yearning, reaching, and aching, of loneliness and emptiness at the heart of it all. Mix in her quirky cynicism, and lovely word play, and you get vintage Langley. In "A Practical Prayer," she writes, "I want to be the maker of beautiful things . . . to breathe in a cloud and exhale thirst, to saturate myself in the soil; [to hear] the song sung between you and me." She describes Fallbrook, California as "a dying stream where insects swarm symphonies and leaves push through eucalyptus-scented sunbeams." Her poem "Touching" describes intimacy with a stranger and the "healing in the emerald pastures of your eyes." And "A Beautiful Gathering" evokes an American Indian drum circle, of which she says "Great Creator, you take pity on me, and I thank you." In this excellent collection, Amanda Langley is truly a woman swallowed by the earth.

Woman Swallowed by the Earth by Amanda Langley is a book of mesmerizing poems. The poems not only convey a message of hope but also commentary on life and people's struggles with loneliness, depression, homelessness and uncontrollable states. Amanda is a poet of our time and yet she reaches into our past and looks at our future. I would highly recommend this book and look forward to future volumes. The Papermarionette

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