

# Morningside Estate

*The Living Architecture Through the Seasons*



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*Springtime at Morningside begins early in the New Year and provides us with a cycle of extraordinary color and beauty. One by one, according to a mysterious calendar, each plant begins a process of renewal. The gardeners job is to watch and understand how the colors, textures and plants come together to create beauty.*



*The colors of spring cover ever possible color range. The shapes of almost infinite variety....and then there is the timing to consider. Every plant has a size and shape to consider both now and in the future. A gardener must be able to envision what combinations look like now and project the future architecture as things grow. It is challenging and exiting but when you get it right, it is magic.*



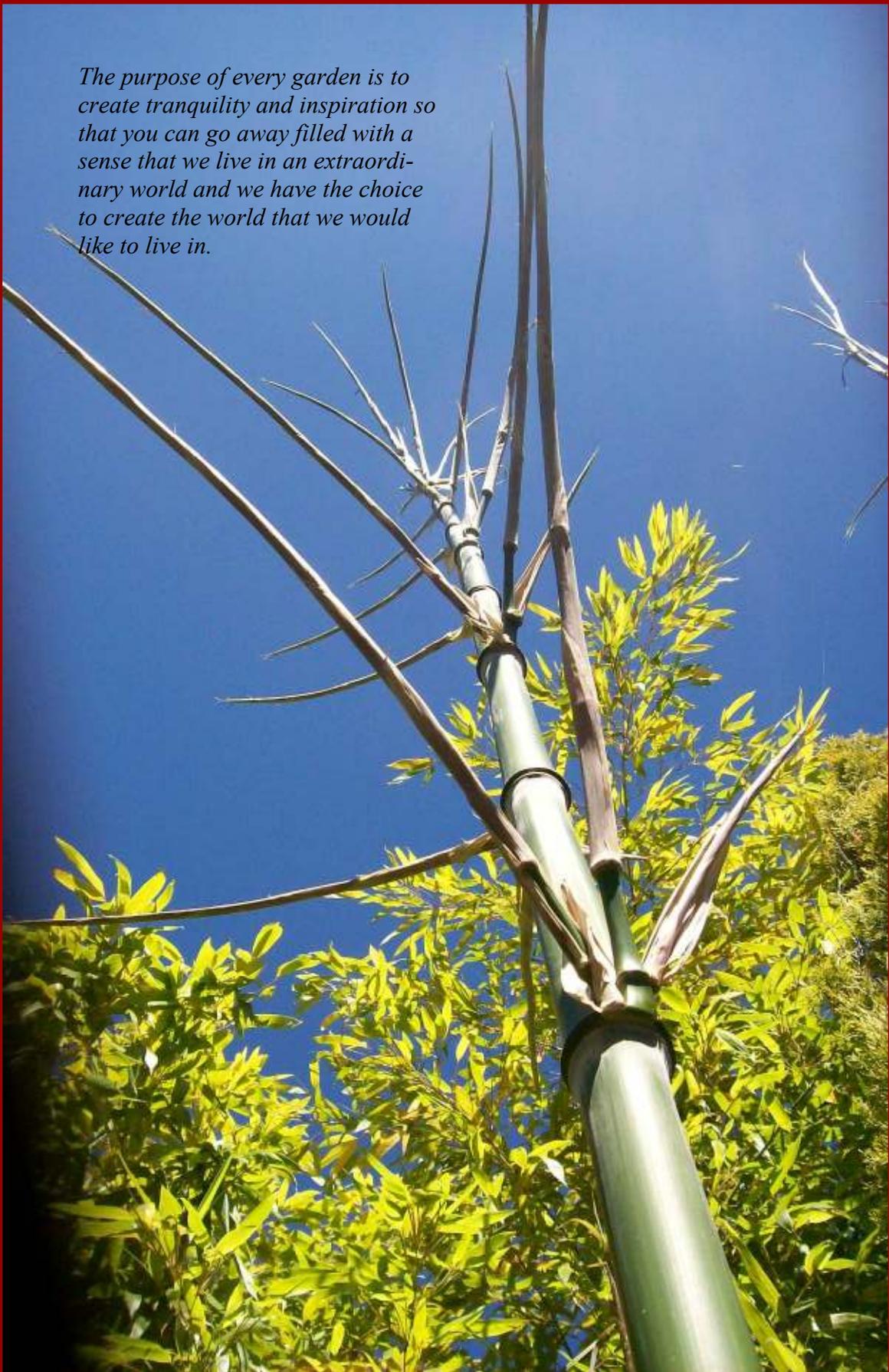
*The shapes and sizes that we play with are amazing allowing us to dream of landscapes not yet created and make a blend between the natural world and the world we construct in our garden. Our measure of success is always in the eye of the observer.*



*Gardening is about experimentation. Trying to get things to grow that just shouldn't grow here. Amongst gardeners this is called the brag list. The brag list for Morningside includes bananas, palms exotic fruit like guava, pomegranates, pomellos, and an array of exotic fruits and spices that are weaved into the garden so it become a feast for all the senses.*



*The purpose of every garden is to create tranquility and inspiration so that you can go away filled with a sense that we live in an extraordinary world and we have the choice to create the world that we would like to live in.*





*The Moningside landscape is filled with plants that bear fruit, nuts, vegetables, spices and medicinal herbs. Visitors to our garden are often given the taste and smell tour. Summer figs, jujubes, cherries, apples, plums, are just a few of the delights. We have plants that smell like chocolate, liquorice, pineapple and pepper. We have edible flowers for salads and spices to dress up any meal in the summer.*

*The best thing about the edible garden is not that it is edible but the anticipation of extraordinary things provided by the abundant earth.*



*Some wonder why we try to grow bananas, dates, palm trees, olive groves, pistachios, almonds, pecans and coconuts in Canada...*

*We do it...  
BECAUSE WE CAN!!!*

*Gardeners are dreamers, experimenters who are not daunted by failures but spurred on by that one success.*



*Spring is a season of hope.  
Summer of stability and comfort  
Fall is a time of change,  
Where everything that was  
Transforms in a riot of color  
And then goes into a season of rest...*

*There is no rest for the gardener*



*Only slow transition into the long cast shadows of winter, when things slow down and gardeners begin to dream through the long nights of the things that our garden might yet become.*



*Each season at Morningside is filled with beauty and abundance. You are invited to come and share the delights of our garden as it evolves with our growing understanding that we are mere stewards of the earth who have the privilege of making our little patch more beautiful than when we came. This is the enduring hope and legacy of a gardener.*