## CHILD OF THE SEA

My soul was born here Where the ocean meets the land Skin thirsty for the warmth of sunshine Heart yearning for the sound of waves on sand.

My family lives for the water It's the freedom each of us craves Our place of work and house of worship My spirit sings loudest from beneath the waves.

To get to know the universe Reach deep into the wet sand As coquinas move the earth around you The sea's heartbeat beats against your hand.

My children will grow,
Faces turned to the skies,
With the salt of the sea on their hair
And the wonder of the world in their eyes.

~ Megan Dalziel