


**Songs of a Strong Woman: American  
Woman Composers of the 19<sup>th</sup>, 20<sup>th</sup>  
and 21<sup>st</sup> Centuries**

**Courtney Gilson-Piercey, soprano  
Dr. Ann Burritt-Nagell, piano**

**Assisted By  
Jessica Grondel, Harp**

**DOCTORAL RECITAL SERIES  
KATZIN CONCERT HALL  
SATURDAY, MARCH 29, 2008 • 7:30 PM**

**MUSIC**

 **Herberger College  
of the Arts**

ARIZONA STATE UNIVERSITY

# Program

**Mother Earth: Songs of a Strong Woman** Gwyneth Walker

1. A Woman is not a Potted Plant (b. 1947)
2. We Have a Beautiful Mother
3. Mother to Son

**Four Chinese Love Poems** Emma Lou Diemer  
**for Voice and Harp** (b. 1927)

- I. People Hide Their Love
  - II. Wind and Rain
  - III. By the Willows
  - IV. The Mulberry on the Lowland
- Jessica Grondel, harp

**Three Songs, Op. 21** Amy Beach  
Extase (1867-1944)  
Elle et moi  
Chanson d'Amour


*\*\*There will be a 10-minute intermission\*\**

**Me (Brenda Ueland)** Libby Larsen  
I. Why I Write This Book (b. 1950)  
II. Childhood  
III. Adolescence  
IV. Greenwich Village  
VII. Art (Life is Love...)  
VIII. The Present

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This recital is given in partial fulfillment of the performance requirements  
for the degree Doctorate of Musical Arts in voice performance.  
Courtney Gilson-Piercey is a student of David Britton.

Out of respect for the performers and those audience members around you, please  
turn all beepers, cell phones and watches to their silent mode. Thank you.



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