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DRAMA 410 SINGING for ACTORS

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Course Objectives: To improve vocal technique in order to increase comfort in singing. Work will be done on breath support, resonance and diction. Further, to consider songs and ensembles as an actor.

Attendance Policy: You have three excused absences. After that, you drop a letter grade for each additional absence. Repeated lateness may earn additional absences.

| Grading Policy: | Recital attendance/reports | 20% |
|-----------------|----------------------------------------|-----|
| | Class Preparation/participation | 45% |
| | Final | 35% |

The class will present a showcase performance, as your final. This will happen on Wednesday, May10 at 7pm. Please reserve the following rehearsal/performance times:Monday, May 8Monday, May 96-8pmTuesday, May 96-8pm

Wednesday, May 10 6-9pm

VOICE RECITALS/EVENTS

Attend three voice recitals (or other performances of vocal music), and write a summary: Notice vocal technique: how did the singer's breathing seem? Did you notice really tight shoulders or jaw? Could you understand their words? Was the voice even between the registers or did you notice that the top sounded very different than the bottom? Did they project clearly, so that you could hear them well?

How successful were they in communicating, acting their songs?

All recitals are at 7:30 in the Music Recital Hall, and free, unless noted otherwise.

| Jan 27 | Mozart's 250 th Birthday Bash \$ |
|--------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Feb 9-12 | The Marriage of Figaro MCT \$ 8pm, 2pm matinees on Sat/Sun, 6:30 Sun pm |
| Feb 25 | Margaret Gilmore, soprano (shared with flute) |
| March 2 | Dawn Douglass, soprano |
| Mar 7 | Jubes and Chamber Chorale |
| Mar 10 | Heather Green, mezzo-soprano and Katie Maker, soprano |
| Mar 18 3pm | Guest Artist recital: Diana Livingston Friedley, soprano, and Geoffrey Friedley, |
| | tenor |
| Apr 14 | Elise Dye, soprano |
| April 20, 21 | Opera Theater \$ |

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