

## ERIN WAGNER | Mezzo-Soprano

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## WOMEN: THE AFFLICTED AND POWERFUL

The stories of women enduring, overcoming, and/or succumbing to the affliction imposed on them is what threads the tales of Cécile Chaminade, Mignon, the anonymous bereaved maid, Ariadne, and Phaedra together. Each of these women is a product of a world that worked against them and each of their stories leads in a different direction: creation, transformation, loss, isolation, death.

CÉCILE CHAMINADE La lune paresseuse Chanson triste Ronde d'amour

HUGO WOLF Mignon Lieder I. Heiss mich nicht reden II. Nur wer die Sehnsucht kennt III. So lasst mich scheinen IV. Kennst du das Land?

## INTERMISSION

GEORGE WALKER The Bereaved Maid

CLAUDIO MONTEVERDI Lamento d'Arianna

(Monteverdi and Britten connected by musical interlude composed by Shawn Chang)

BENJAMIN BRITTEN Phaedra