

FINDING MY VOICE

MY JOURNEY AS A BLIND MUSICIAN

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Classical singer **Rachel Grider** shares her inspirational story through words and song as she illuminates the difficult and rewarding path she has traveled as a blind musician.

Rachel's story relays the challenges faced by those who are blind and why a lack of sight is no reason to assume incompetence in fields where it may seem impossible to succeed. She reads music, sings in choirs, composes music, and teaches voice lessons to others, in addition to performing as a soloist.

In *Finding My Voice*, Rachel shares how she overcame the stereotypes and doubts of others, as well as some of her own doubts, to earn degrees in Vocal Performance, Composition, and Theory Pedagogy, continuing on to a track as a professional singer. Her desire to help others gain a connection and accessibility to classical singing is found no where better than in this unique and heartfelt presentation.

Rachel is joined by pianist **Margaret Zabel** for this uplifting performance. Proceeds will benefit the Central Valley Chapter of the National Federation of the Blind of California.

Concert is at the Mistlin Art Gallery. Doors open at 1:30 for complimentary wine and refreshments.

The National Federation of the Blind is a community of members and friends who believe in the hopes and dreams of the nation's blind. We develop policies and programs to help blind people live the lives they want. More information can be found at www.nfb.org.

Mistlin Art Gallery 1015 J Street Modesto, CA 95354

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