

TAKE BACK



the

NIGHT



WOMEN AND GENDER
ADVOCACY CENTER
COLORADO STATE UNIVERSITY

Hello and Welcome

The WGAC is incredibly excited that you have chosen to join us for the first Take Back the Night since the onset of the COVID-19 pandemic.

There are many ways that Take Back the Night events take shape, and this year we opted for a form that centers collective community care and healing for survivors of sexual violence.

This evening, we seek to broaden the scope of what it means to 'take back the night' by engaging in collective political practices based in radical softness with our eyes and hearts set on a world free from sexual violence.

Program

6:30 p.m.

Introduction

7:00 p.m.

**Vigil and Seed
Ritual**

7:30 p.m.

Dinner

8:15 p.m.

**Program
Close**

The Artists



Macy Warner

Macy Warner is a Singer/Songwriter and artist from Northern Colorado.

Her writing is brutally vulnerable and focuses on the most painful parts of being human.

She has released two albums with Plotline Records in Fort Collins and is currently working on a new EP, set to release in June. She hopes to continue creating music and help others through her empathy and artistic authenticity.

Macy is currently a student at Colorado State University in the HDFS department.

You can find her @macywarnermusic on Instagram or 'Macy Warner' on all streaming services.

The Artists



Maisy Johnson

I'm originally from a very
small farm town in Illinois. I
moved out to Fort Collins for
school
and now call this place home.
I've always loved to write, and
it has become an escape,
a comfort for me.

I'm very excited to be sharing
some of my pieces, and I hope
they make you
feel as much as I do.

The Vigil

Grieving happens in community.

The purpose of this vigil is to reflect and honor the loss that comes from sexual violence. The scope of loss from sexual violence knows no bounds. It includes the loss of loved ones, the loss of self or selves, the loss of identity, the loss of safety, the loss of intimacy or the ability to be vulnerable, a career, a community, friendships, family. So many things.

This space was designed for the reverence of loss.

The Ritual

Healing happens in community. We are the medicine that we need.

Using the seed paper. we invite you to engage with one of the rituals provided on the table or simply to write a letter to yourself if you are a survivor, a loved one who is a survivor, or a letter to coercive culture and systems that allows sexual violence to thrive.

You can also write about what a world without sexual violence looks like.

We will then plant these in the pots of soil, where they will be tended to in order to grow.

Gratitude

The WGAC Student Staff

Jodi Kirsch // Flower Tribe

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