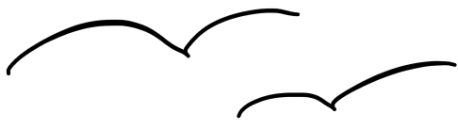


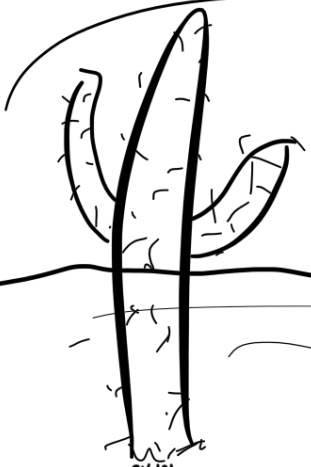
# The Desert Is...

## Three Meditations

Based on Poems by  
Maggie Gray

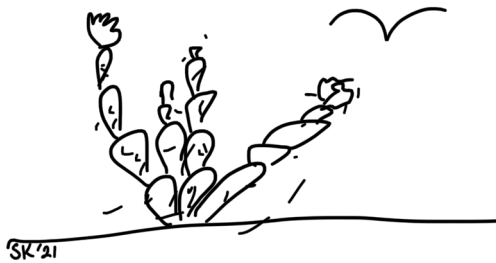


Sam Kubina



SK '91

*for Maggie Gray  
on the occasion of her 30th birthday*



SK '21

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## Three Meditations

1.

Sam Kubina  
Text: Maggie Gray

Alive ♩ = 120

Voice *p* The de - sert is... *mf* Life burst - ing from the

Fujara in G

Harp *p* *mf* *gliss.*

6

Voice still - ness Sun - light beam - ing

Fujara 1st finger vib. *mp*

Hp.

11

Voice An - - i - mal tracks in the sand

Fujara

Hp.

15

Fujara

Hp.

20

Voice

Fujara

Hp.

Sun-light beam-ing

Wafts of

(B)

25

Voice

Fujara

Hp.

sage-brush on the rain

Sun-light

*p*

30 (C)

Voice: beam - ing\_ Lich - ens Paint - ed on\_ rock

Fujara: *p*

Hp. (C)

35

Voice: Sun - light beam - ing\_

Fujara:

Hp.

40 (D) Pushing Ahead

Voice: *f* Mead - ow - larks\_ pierce the air Moth - er

Fujara:

Hp. *f* (D) Pushing Ahead

45

Voice

re - born \_\_\_\_\_ Moth - er re - born \_\_\_\_\_

Fujara

*mf*

Hp.

50

Voice

Ⓔ Relaxing

Fujara

*mp*

Hp.

Ⓔ Relaxing

*mp*

56

Fujara

Hp.

Injured ♩. = 64

Voice *p*  
The de - sert is...

Fujara *mp*

Hp. *p*

Fujara

Hp. *mp*

Voice *mp*  
Fi - re\_ Fi - re

Fujara

Hp. *mp*

11

Voice

bla - zing *port.* Sage con -

Hp.

*mp*

14

Voice

sumed **(B) Burning!** *f* Fi - re bla - zing

Fujara

*mf*

Hp.

**(B) Burning!** *sfz*

17

Voice

*mf* Night - hawks soar *p* Fi - re bla - zing

Fujara

*mf* *p*

Hp.

*mf* *p*



22

Voice

Fujara

Hp.

Forbs re - - bound

25

© Smoldering, Hazy

Voice

Fujara

Hp.

Fi - re Fi - re Bla - - zing

*pp*

*port.*

*pp*

28

Fujara

Hp.

low on the strings

Hopeful  $\text{♩} = 56$

Voice *mp*  
The de-sert is... Moth - er re - born

Fujara *p*

Hp. *mp*

5

Voice Heat con tained by sun - set

Fujara *tr*

Hp. *mp*

9

Voice *mf*  
Full moon ri - sing Cold light through ju - ni - per

Fujara *tr*

Hp. *p*  
pincé

12 **(A) Plainly**

Voice: Full moon ri -

Fujara: *mp*

Hp.: *mp*

16 **(B) Livelier**

Voice: sing Co - yo-te songs on the breeze

Fujara: *f*

Hp.: *f*

19 **At Ease**

Voice: Full moon ri - sing

Fujara: *mf*

Hp.: *mf*

F# Bb

22

Voice: Stars twin - kle in the sky

Fujara

Hp. *mp* 3

B $\flat$

25

© Still, Soft

Voice: Full moon ri - sing

Fujara *pp*

Hp. *pp*

28

Voice: Life burst - ing from still - ness

Fujara

Hp. *rall.* 3 *8va*