

### Female in the City: A Working Feminist Poetics of Embodied Female Experience

This presentation, compiled of a poetry manifesta and a series of poems, will address, mainly through example, how serious feminist issues can be utilized and explored in accessible and creative ways within poetry. My goal is to use specific moments and images to tell a story of embodied female experience which is both personal and political. The poetry in this presentation will attempt to teach without preaching, connect without controlling and open the door for other women to tell the truth of their lives through creative means (written word or otherwise).