

Composers Through Time

Gabrieli
1557-1612

Pachelbel
1653-1706

J.S. Bach
1685-1750

C.P.E. Bach
1714-1788

Salieri
1750-1825

Beethoven
1770-1827

Schubert
1797-1828

Mendelssohn
1809-1847

Schumann
1810-1856

Wagner
1813-1883

Smetana
1824-1884

Brahms
1833-1897

Saint-Saëns
1835-1921

Tchaikovsky
1840-1893

Grieg
1843-1907

Fauré
1845-1924

Debussy
1862-1918

Ravel
1875-1937

R. Strauss
1864-1949

Vaughan Williams
1872-1958

Schoenberg
1874-1951

Holst
1874-1934

Bartók
1881-1945

Stravinsky
1882-1972

Gershwin
1898-1937

Shostakovich
1906-1975

Bernstein
1918-1990

1455
First book printed with moveable type: Johannes Gutenberg's revolution in printing technology makes mass-market reading possible

Renaissance 1400-1600

1492
Christopher Columbus discovers the New World, bringing the Americas into a global trading/cultural system

Monteverdi
1567-1643

Vivaldi
1678-1741

Handel
1685-1759

Haydn
1732-1809

Mozart
1756-1791

Rossini
1792-1868

Berlioz
1803-1869

Chopin
1810-1849

Liszt
1811-1886

Verdi
1813-1901

Bruckner
1824-1896

Bizet
1838-1875

Mussorgsky
1839-1881

Dvořák
1841-1904

Rimsky-Korsakov
1844-1908

Puccini
1858-1924

Mahler
1860-1911

Rachmaninoff
1873-1943

Elgar
1857-1934

Sibelius
1865-1957

Ives
1874-1954

Kodály
1882-1967

Prokofiev
1891-1953

Ellington
1899-1974

Copland
1900-1990

Britten
1913-1976

John Williams
1932 -



1504

Mona Lisa by Leonardo da Vinci

1517
Martin Luther launches the Reformation. It is the start of Protestant Christianity and the idea of religious individualism.

Early Romantic 1780-1827

1687
Isaac Newton publishes Principia Mathematica, the foundation of modern physics

Romantic 1780-1910



1805

Napoleon Crossing the Alps by Jacques-Louis David

1815
Battle of Waterloo and the fall of Napoleon

1859
Publication of Darwin's The Origin of Species

Impressionism & Late Romantic 1875-1920



1887

Self-Portrait with Grey Felt Hat by Vincent van Gogh

1905
Einstein's theory of special relativity published, transforming the nature of modern physical knowledge

1918
End of World War I

1945
World War II ends with the dropping of the atomic bomb on Japan



1964

The Son of Man by René Magritte

Contemporary (Modern) 1910 to present



1740

Autumn by Corrado Giaquinto

1776
American Declaration of Independence signed, beginning the rise of American power

1825
Rocket steam locomotive built, marking the start of the railway age of cheap, fast land transport



1834

View of Prague with the Charles Bridge crossing the Vitava River by Adam August Müller

1861
Beginning of the US Civil War



1907

Self-Portrait by Pablo Picasso

1914
Beginning of World War I

1939
Beginning of World War II

1959
Invention of the silicon chip, which made the computer age possible



1967

Marilyn Monroe by Andy Warhol

1968
Martin Luther King Jr. assassinated