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Music to Enjoy



Music has always been an important cultural and social factor throughout human history. It helped people form tribal bonds and often served religious and spiritual needs. Although definitions of music vary wildly throughout the world, every known culture partakes in it, and it is thus considered a cultural universal. The human voice is the first instrument and form of music as prehistoric men and women imitated the sounds of nature. The first physical instrument dates back to more than 35,000 years ago (the Neanderthal flute).

Today we have all forms of music including Jazz, classical, Rock, etc. When I was a teen ager, Chubby Checkers, Teresa Bruer, Mary Ford, Doris Day and Eddie Fisher were popular. My mother taught me how to dance the Fox Trout for my first blind date to Mary Low McCan at 15. I learned the twist and jitter bug. I went to band stand on TV. My father played Rhapsody in Blue and Puccini La Bloem on records. I went to the Academy of Music in Philadelphia and enjoyed classical music. I now enjoy music of John Tech and go to the Meyerhof for the Baltimore Symphony.

Last night Betty and I enjoyed a concert by the US Army Field Band at Glen Mar Church and my favorites were Music of the Night from Phantom of the Night and Tonight from West Side Story. So, I enjoy music.

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