

Senior Citizens Music Appreciation Program
2024

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Musical Occasions: Compositions of Commemoration

I. Announcements

A. Dates and topics for Music Appreciation, Oct.—Dec. 2024

Wed., Oct. 30: Great Conductors—Rafael Kubelik

Mon., Nov. 18: Franz Lehar and Viennese Operetta

Mon., Dec. 16: Music of Great Cities—Paris and Prague

B. NJ Symphony—Potential Trip Dates, 2025

Sunday, Feb. 2, 2025, 3 pm Morristown Shaw, Vaughn-Williams, Holst
(Planets, with projected NASA images)

Sunday, Feb. 23, 2025, 3 pm New Brunswick Loggins-Hull, Chopin Piano
Cto. 1, Brahms Symphony 1

Sunday, April 6, 2025, 3 pm New Brunswick Childs, Tchaikovsky,
Beethoven Symphony 9 (Choral)

II. How Music Commemorates Occasions

A. Music has been used for both religious and secular programs that honor individuals and/or groups, provide entertainment for specific occasions, and recognize important anniversaries.

B. Today's Examples

1. Handel, Water Music (1717)
2. Handel, Royal Fireworks Music (1749)
3. Beethoven, Consecration of the House Overture (1822)
4. Berlioz, Te Deum (1849)
5. Verdi, Requiem (1874)
6. Copland, Lincoln Portrait (1942)
7. Britten, War Requiem (1962)

[YouTube Videos](#)

Handel: Royal Fireworks Music, BBC Proms, 2012
<https://youtu.be/fNqJ8mED1VE?feature=shared>
 Beethoven: Consecration of the House Overture, Riccardo Muti conductor
<https://youtu.be/HhzOmL8EX0E?feature=shared>
 Berlioz: Te Deum, Claudio Abbado conductor <https://youtu.be/sNsZ-BuGKDO>
 Verdi: Requiem, Tughan Sokhiev, conductor <https://youtu.be/fjUQ8siaEj4>
 Copland: Lincoln Portrait, Leonard Bernstein, conductor
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=qZGiYfExbMM>
 Britten: War Requiem, Marin Alsop, conductor
<https://youtu.be/625WOYzdvFw?feature=shared>

Recordings

George Friedrich Handel, Water Music BIS 2027	Haydn Sinfonietta Wien, Manfred Suss
George Friedrich Handel, Royal Fireworks Music Sony 88875030622-18	Tafelmusik, Jeanne Lamon
Ludwig van Beethoven, Consecration of the House Stanislaw Skrowczewski	Minnesota Orchestra, VOX CDX 5099
Hector Berlioz, Requiem and Te Deum Philips 464 689-2	London Symphony Orchestra, Colin Davis
Aaron Copland, Lincoln Portrait Copland	London Symphony Orchestra, Aaron Henry Fonda, narrator
Sony SM3K 46559 Benjamin Britten, War Requiem Britten London 414 383-2	London Symphony Orchestra, Benjamin

Music Magazines with Recording Reviews

BBC Music Magazine (Each issue comes with a CD) music.com	https://www.classical-
Gramophone https://www.gramophone.co.uk	
Fanfare https://fanfarearchive.com	
International Piano https://www.markallengroup.com/brands/international-piano/	