

Attendance/Reading quiz!



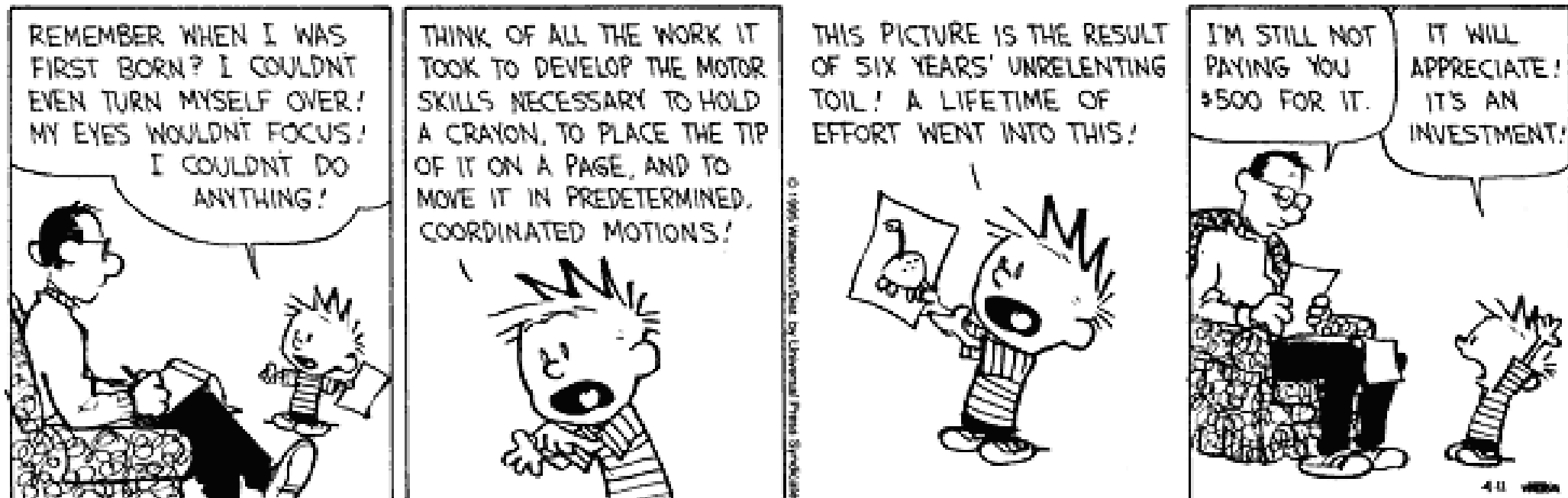
Mu 102: Principles of Music

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Section 0701 (MW 7:30-8:45a)



Reading quiz

Johannes Brahms, Clarinet Quintet
in B minor, Op. 115 (1891)

I. Allegro

II. Adagio

III. Andantino

IV. Con moto

How many people are on stage?

Are you expected to clap after the
adagio movement?

What will the form of the first
movement probably be?

What time period is this piece
from?

What can we expect to hear in
music from this time period?

Recap

- The symphony
 - Joseph Haydn (1732-1809)
 - Ludwig van Beethoven (1770-1827)
 - Louise Farrenc (1804-75)
 - William Grant Still (1895-1978)
- Kevin Puts (b. 1972), *Why Write Symphonies?* (2013)
- Reading concert programs



The symphony and different stylistic periods

Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart
(1756-91), Symphony No. 29 in
A Major, K. 201, I. Allegro
moderato (1774)



Ludwig van Beethoven (1770-1827),
Symphony No. 3 in E-flat Major
“Eroica”, I. Allegro con brio (1801)

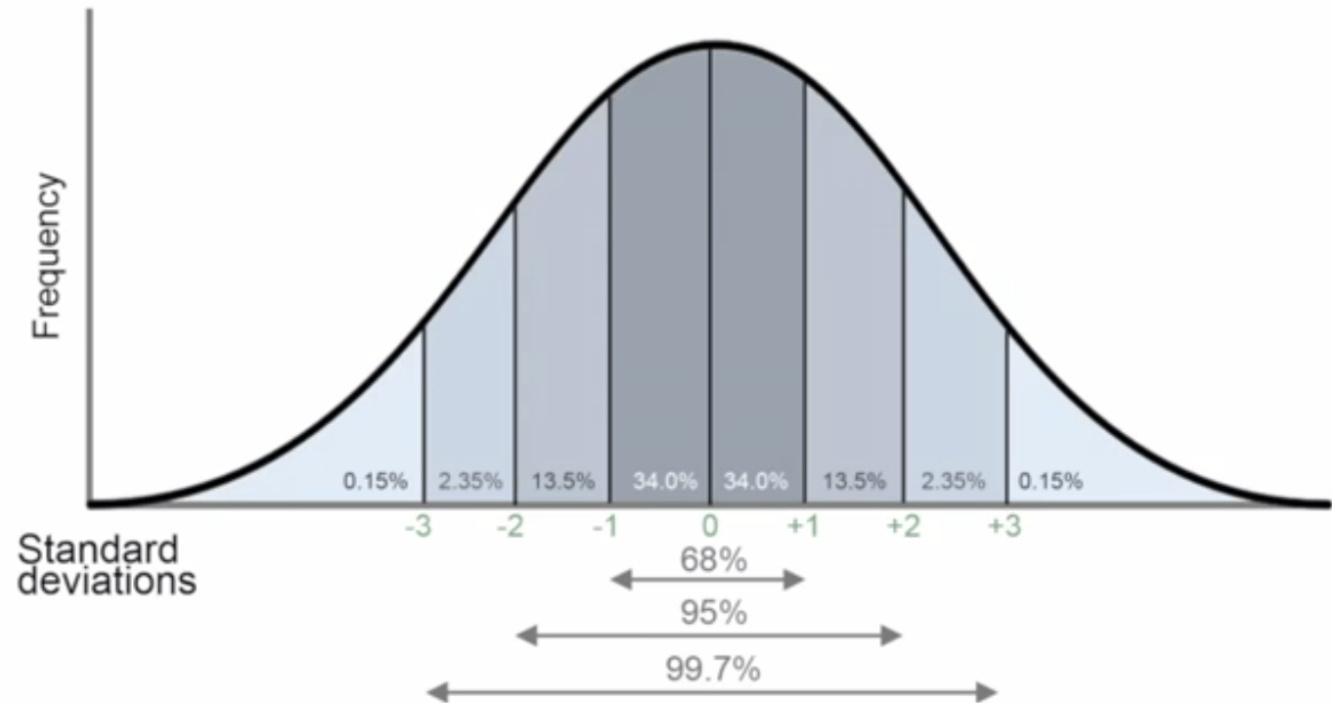
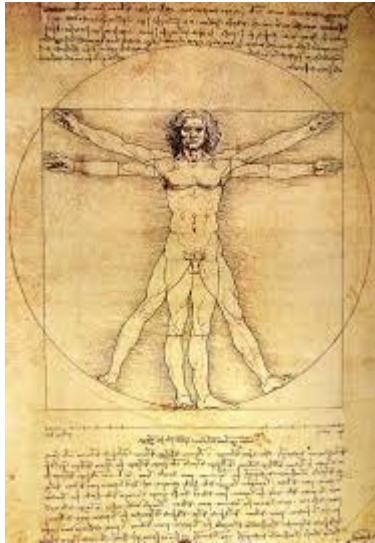


Johannes Brahms (1833-97),
Symphony No. 3 in F Major, Op.
90, I. Allegro (1883)



“Architecture is frozen music, and music is flowing architecture”
–Johann Wolfgang von Goethe (1749-1832)

Embodied experiences



Physical disabilities: Blindness

- Ray Charles (1930-2004)
- Stevie Wonder (b. 1950)
- Friedrich Kuhlau (1786-1832)
- Blind Willie Johnson (1897-1945)
- Andrea Bocelli (b. 1958)
- 19th century shakuhachi players of the Fuke-shu sect of Buddhism



Physical disabilities: Deafness

- Ludwig van Beethoven (1770-1827) began going deaf around the year 1800
- He thought this meant the end of his career
- He went to Heiligenstadt, a town outside of Vienna, to kill himself



Mental health

- Mental illness, drug and alcohol abuse
 - Amy Winehouse, Jimi Hendrix, Jim Morrison, Kurt Cobain, Chris Cornell, Chester Bennington, Mac Miller
- Anxiety disorders
 - Adele, Zayn Malik, Britney Spears, Barbra Streisand
- Eating disorders
 - Elton John, Paula Abdul, Demi Lovato
- Depression
 - Kid Cudi, Lady Gaga, Sia, Bruce Springsteen
- Performance anxiety
- 19th century classical musicians with diagnosed mental illness: Hector Berlioz (1803-69), Robert Schumann (1810-56), Anton Bruckner (1824-96), Pyotr Ilich Tchaikovsky (1840-93)

When your body fails you

“It was exactly as if someone had simply turned off a faucet.”

—Aaron Copland, describing his inability to come up with any musical ideas after his Alzheimer’s progressed

The French artist Henri Matisse (1869-1954) turned to paper cutouts when his body would no longer let him paint after being diagnosed with cancer. *The Fall of Icarus* (1943)



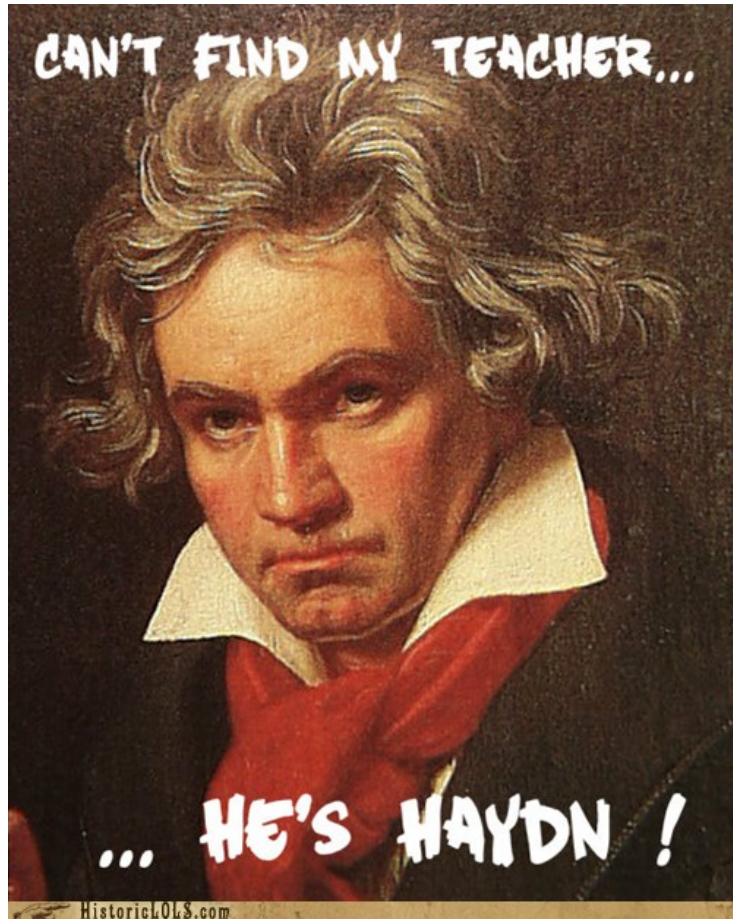
Injuries

- Can be caused due to poor technique and/or overuse
- Carpal tunnel syndrome – Numbness and tingling in the hands and arms due to a compressed nerve
 - The only remedy is to stop doing the thing that caused the injury (i.e., stop making music)
- Focal dystonia – neurological “mismapping” that causes involuntary spasms which contract the muscles of the body
- Torn vocal folds

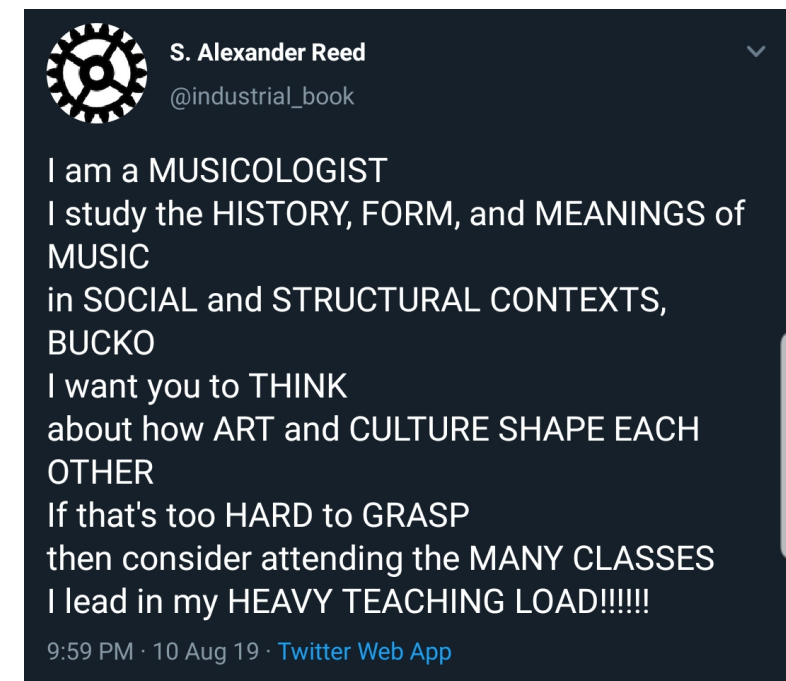
Disability studies

- Joe Straus, *Extraordinary Measures: Disabilities in Music* (2011)
- “Disability” is socially defined—if something is “disabling” it means that it is a barrier to the things we collectively expect, need, or value
- Some disabling traits can cause music making to thrive (social anxiety, narcissism, autism, obsessive compulsive disorder), but they can be crippling to music making, as well

Classical music memes

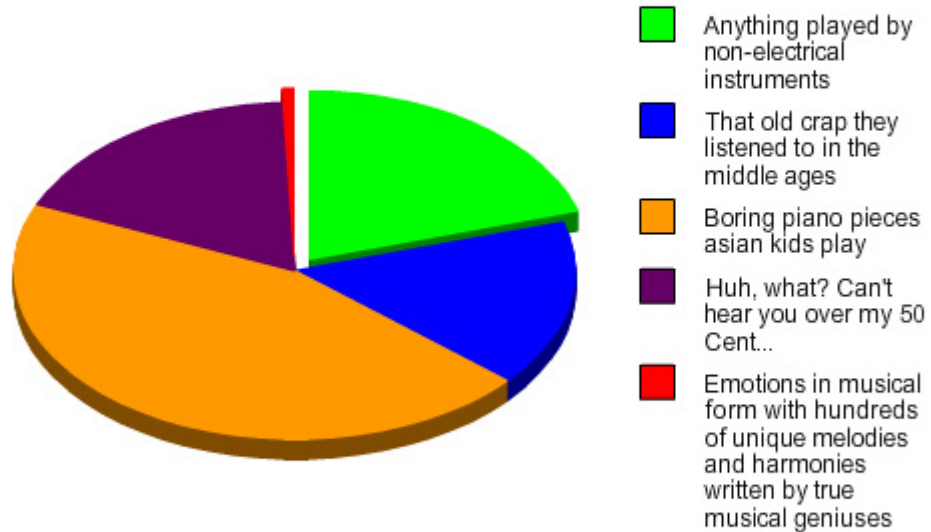


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What people think Classical Music is



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Homework and reminders

- Assigned reading for next class is available online:
 - W Nov 6: opera stereotypes
 - M Nov 11
- Exam #1 rewrite (optional) due Nov 6
- Concert Response #2 due Dec 11
- Quickfire #6 due by 5pm on F Nov 10 – check your email
- If you've fallen behind, now is the time to turn your grade around
 - Come to class, complete assigned reading
 - Revisions of C/NC assignments due by the end of the semester
 - Late assignments are accepted up to 14 days after the original due date

