20th Century Music

A search for the meaning of music

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What is music?

What happened during the 20th Century?

- World War I
- Communism
- Capitalism
- Women's Rights
- The Great Depression
- Television
- World War II -Holocaust
- The Atomic Bomb
- The Cold War
- Cuban Missile Crisis
- The Korean War

- Kennedy Assassination
- Space Exploration
- Civil Rights Martin Luther King Jr.
- ► The Vietnam War
- Man on the Moon
- Watergate
- Iran Hostage Crisis
- Personal Computers
- Gulf War
- Internet
- Fall of Communism

Famous People from the 20th Century

- Mahatma Gandhi
- Adolph Hitler
- Neil Armstrong
- Vladimir Lenin
- Joseph Stalin
- Mother Theresa
- Franklin D. Roosevelt
- Winston Churchill
- Martin Luther King Jr.
- John F. Kennedy
- Nelson Mandela
- Frank Lloyd Wright
- Margaret Thatcher

- Ernest Hemingway
- Pablo Picasso
- Fidel Castro
- Nikita Kruschev
- Mikhail Gorbachev
- Ronald Reagan
- Theodore Roosevelt
- Walt Disney
- Elvis Presley
- The Beatles
- Charles Dickens
- Marilyn Monroe



































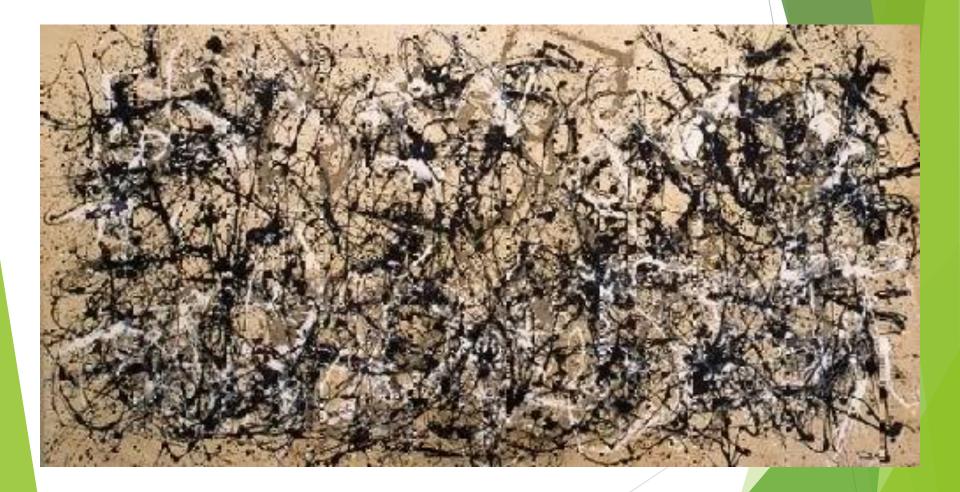


Famous Artists of the 20th Century

Pablo Picasso



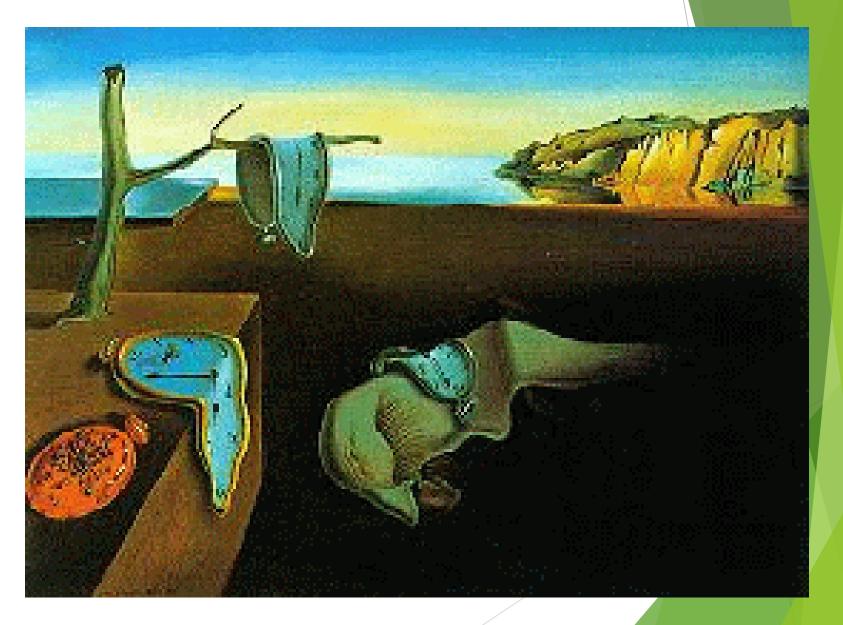
Jackson Pollack



Henri Matisse



Salvador Dali





Andy Warhol

Wassily Kandinsky



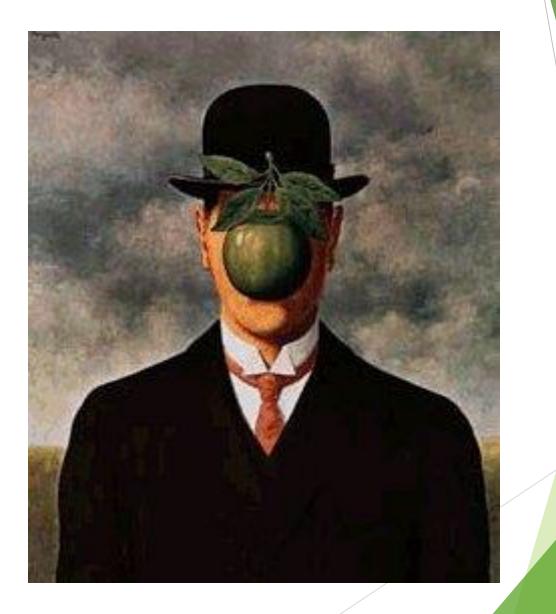
Piet Mondrian



Georgia O'Keefe



Rene Magritte



Characteristics of 20th Century Music

- Break every existing rule
- Challenge the ear
- Challenge the mind
- Respect the past look toward the future
- If it doesn't work copy the past

Styles of Music during the 20th Century

- Late Romantic
- Avant-garde
- Impressionist
- Polytonal
- Neo-Classical
- Serialism
- Minimalism
- Experimentalism
- Chance Music
- Electronic

It is important to note the vast amount of different styles and composers from this era of music history.

Why do you think there are so many in such a relatively short period of time?

Famous Composers of the 20th Century

- Igor Stravinsky
- Claude Debussy
- Arnold Schoenberg
- Dmitri Shostakovich
- Philip Glass
- Steve Reich
- John Cage
- Karlheinz Stockhausen
- Vincent Persechetti

- Aaron Copland
- Leonard Bernstein
- Bela Bartok
- Alban Berg
- Milton Babbitt
- Sergei Rachmaninov
- George Crumb
- Charles Ives
- Edgard Varese

