

J. S. Bach 1685–1750

"What I have achieved by in-dustry and practice, anyone else with tolerable natural gift and ability can also achieve."



Mozart 1756–1791

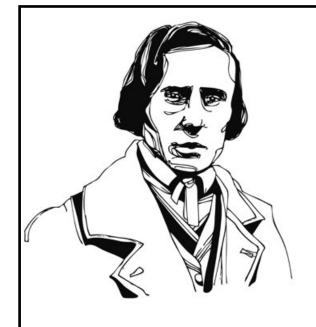
"The music is not in the notes, but in the silence between."

"I pay no attention whatever to anybody's praise or blame. I simply follow my own feelings."



Beethoven 1770–1827

"To play a wrong note is insignificant; to play without passion is inexcusable."



Chopin 1810–1849

"I tell my piano the things I used to tell you."

"Put all your soul into it, play the way you feel!"



Schumann 1810–1856

"To send light into the darkness of men's hearts—such is the duty of the artist."

> "When you play, never mind who listens to you."



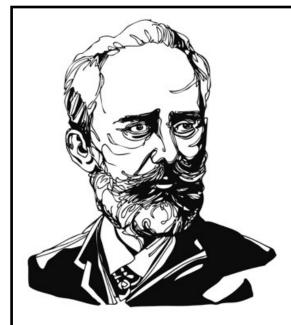
Liszt 1811–1886

"Beware of missing chances; otherwise it may be altogether too late some day."



Brahms 1833–1897

"Without craftsmanship, inspiration is a mere reed shaken in the wind."



Tchaikovsky 1840–1893

"Where the heart does not enter; there can be no music."

"Inspiration is a guest that does not willingly visit the lazy."



Debussy 1862–1918

"Art is the most beautiful of all lies."

"Music is the arithmetic of sounds as optics is the geometry of light."



Rachmaninoff 1873–1943

"Music is enough for a lifetime, but a lifetime is not enough for music."