History of Western Music III, 1730 to 1850: Detailed Schedule, Unit II

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Listings by week

- Week 6
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Abbreviations

BH Burkholder, *A History of Western Music*, chapter number

NAWM Norton Anthology of Western Music, vol. 2, piece number (not page number)

BB Source on Blackboard under Course Materials, by week

Schedule of Assignments

Unit 1: Beethoven and Music in the Age of Revolution

Thu., Oct. 4 **Beethoven's Fifth Symphony: First movement**

Music listening and score study

1. Beethoven, Symphony no. 5 in C minor: Mvt. I [YouTube video]

Fri., Oct. 5 Workshop

Tue., Oct. 9 Sonatas and symphonies before Beethoven

Weekly writing (due Tuesday in class)

1. No writing assignment this week!

Reading

- 1. **BH** 23, 24
- 2. Analytical notes on listening selections in NAWM

Music listening and score study

- 1. Domenico Scarlatti, Sonata in D (K. 119) (NAWM 113) [YouTube video]
- 2. C. P. E. Bach, Sonata in A (H. 186, Wq. 55/4): Mvt. II in NAWM 114 (listen to all) [YouTube video]
- 3. W. A. Mozart, Piano Sonata in A (K. 332): Mvt. I (NAWM 121) [YouTube video]
- 4. Joseph Haydn, Symphony no. 88 in G major (Hob. I:88) (NAWM 119) [YouTube video]

Thu., Oct. 11 **Beethoven's three periods**

Music listening and score study

- 1. Note: The anthology includes movements and excerpts of these works, but I strongly recommend you listen to the entire pieces, especially if you are not that familiar with Beethoven's music
- 2. Ludwig van Beethoven, Piano Sonata in C minor (Op. 13, Pathétique): Mvt. I (NAWM 125) [YouTube video]
- 3. Beethoven, Symphony no. 3 in E-flat (Op. 55, Eroica): Mvt. I (NAWM 126) [YouTube video]
- 4. Beethoven, String Quartet in C-sharp Minor (Op. 131) (excerpts in NAWM 127) [YouTube video]

Fri., Oct. 12 Workshop: Make plan for next roundtable

Oct. 15–17 Fall break

Thu., Oct. 18 Beethoven's Fifth: Mvt. II-III

Weekly writing (due Tuesday in class)

1. Write your paper proposal, due Friday.

Music listening and score study

1. Beethoven, Symphony no. 5: Mvt. II-III

Fri., Oct. 19 Workshop

Fri., Oct. 19, 5:00 **Paper proposal due** p.m.

Tue., Oct. 23 **Beethoven's Fifth: Finale**

Weekly writing (due Tuesday in class)

- 1. Work on your paper outlines: find and read good sources, get to know your music, refine your research question and move toward an argument (central idea/thesis).
- 2. Analyze the kind of language Hoffmann uses to talk about Beethoven's music. What metaphors or comparisons does he use? How much technical detail is there as opposed to more poetic and philosophical concepts?
- 3. What innovations did Rossini bring to the structure of Italian opera and how did they change the way the drama worked?

Reading

- 1. E. T. A. Hoffmann, "Beethoven's Instrumental Music" (BB)
- 2. Johann Friedrich Reichardt, "Personal Letters Written on a Trip to Vienna" (BB)

Music listening and score study

1. Beethoven, Symphony no. 5: Mvt. IV

Thu., Oct. 25 Italian opera from Rossini to Bellini

Reading

1. BH 27

Music listening and score study

- 1. Gioachino Rossini, Il barbiere di Siviglia: Act I, no. 7, "Una voce poco fa" (NAWM 145) [YouTube video]
- 2. Vincenzo Bellini, Norma: Excerpt from Act I, scene 4, "Casta Diva" (NAWM 146) [YouTube video]
- 3. We will have a "Casta Diva" performance competition in class. Bring your instrument or voice. Silly instruments are welcome.

Fri., Oct. 26 Workshop

Tue., Oct. 30 Beethoven's late music and the genius myth

Weekly writing (due Tuesday in class)

1. How does Beethoven's relationship to convention and tradition change in his late music?

Reading

1. Beethoven, "Heiligenstadt Testament" (BB)

Music listening and score study

- 1. (review from week 7) Beethoven, String Quartet in C-sharp Minor (Op. 131)
- 2. Beethoven, Missa Solemnis in D: Agnus Dei [YouTube video]
- 3. Beethoven, Piano Sonata in A-flat (Op. 110) [YouTube video]
- 4. Beethoven, Symphony no. 9 in D [YouTube video]

Thu., Nov. 1 Roundtable 2

Fri., Nov. 2 Workshop: Prepare for midterm

Tue., Nov. 6

Midterm 2

Unit 2: Schubert and Music in the Age of Industry

Thu., Nov. 8 Schubert's Winterreise: Songs in the Romantic movement

Music listening and score study

1. Franz Schubert, Winterreise (Winter's Journey), songs 1–5 [YouTube video]

Fri., Nov. 9 Workshop

Fri., Nov. 9, 5:00 **Paper outline due** p.m.