Columbia University Spring 2018 Dr. Robb

MASTERPIECES OF WESTERN MUSIC: MUSIC HUMANITIES CLASS SCHEDULE

All reading and listening homework is to be completed before class for the date printed. All assignments are due at the start of class. It is your responsibility to be familiar with the deadlines. Any changes to the class schedule will be announced in class.

Class	UN	NIT I: FUNDAMENTALS OF MUSIC
1	Tuesday, January 16 – Introde Elements of Music: Dynamics	uction to the course and concept of masterpieces
2	outing and payment. Read and be prepared to discuss. Signet Classic, 2002), 1st ed: 192 introduction by William Schuma also read Chapter 18: 'From Cor Courseworks Unit 1: Elements. Listening: Aaron Copland, 'Hoe available on Courseworks Unit Courseworks: On our class Discussemates and instructor, and reads.	eter, Tempo, and Genre: Discuss requirements for mandatory opera s in class: Copland, Aaron, What to Listen for in Music, (New York: 39, 2 nd ed: 1957. With forward and epilogue by Alan Rich and an. Chapter 2: 'How we Listen' pp. 7-15. If you have a deep interest, imposer to Interpreter to Listener.' Available for reference on s of Music e-Down' from Rodeo (1942). The Copland reading and listening are to 1: Elements of Music cussion page under 'Introductions,' introduce yourself to your espond to other student posts. Collowing musical concepts in the Sonic Glossary:

Tuesday, January 23 - Elements of Music: Pitch, Melody, Harmony, Tonality, Mode, Scales, Tone Color, Instruments of the Orchestra, and Inside the Piano.

Tuesday, January 23: I will collect payment for the Puccini, La Bohème Metropolitan Opera ticket. Please bring \$5.00 cash in exact change to class. This is the final day for payment.

Reading / Listening: Study the following musical concepts in the Sonic Glossary: https://www1.columbia.edu/sec/itc/music/sonic/index.html

Melody, Harmony Tonality, Mode

Cadence Arpeggio
Chord Major mode
Consonance Minor mode

Counterpoint Scale

Dissonance Interval Octave

3 Register

Listening: Benjamin Britten, The Young Person's Guide to the Orchestra. Available on Courseworks Unit 1: Elements of Music. Follow along with this interactive guide: http://www.mhhe.com/socscience/music/kamien9e/part01/chapter02/youngpersonsguide/brittenguide interactive.htm

Listening: Major-Minor training environment:

http://ccnmtl.columbia.edu/projects/majmin/index.html

Online Resources: Use these interactive guides to navigate and learn about the sounds of the different orchestra instruments: Thirteen: http://www.thirteen.org/publicarts/orchestra/
Philharmonia Orchestra:

http://www.philharmonia.co.uk/thesoundexchange/the orchestra/instruments/

Reading: Kelly, Thomas Forrest, *First Nights: Five Musical Premieres*. New Haven: Yale University Press, 2000, pp. xi-xvi

UNIT II: MEDIEVAL AND RENAISSANCE MUSIC

Thursday, January 25 – Medieval Music: Hildegard of Bingen, Pérotin, Countess of Dia and Anon. Elements of Music: Texture

Listening:

4 Hildegard of Bingen (1098-1179), "Columba aspexit," plainchant sequence (Gregorian chant)

Pérotin, *Alleluia: Nativitas*, organum (c. 1200)

Pérotin, "Alleluia: Diffusa est gratia," organum (c. 1200).

Countess of Dia, A chanter m'er, Troubadour song, (c. 1175)

Anonymous, "Sumer Is Icumen In," round (late thirteenth century).

	These works are available on Courseworks under Unit 2: Medieval Music and Renaissance Music, Medieval
	Reading / Listening: Study the following musical concepts in the Sonic Glossary: https://www1.columbia.edu/sec/itc/music/sonic/index.html
	Texture Homophony Monophony Polyphony Non-imitative polyphony Polyphony
	FRIDAY, January 26, 2018 by 5pm, last day to drop a core class
	Tuesday, January 30 – Renaissance Music: Josquin and Weelkes Elements of Music: Voice Types. Discussion Groups for Kelly Chapters are assigned (alphabetical). Discuss Elements of Music Quiz.
	Read and be prepared to discuss in class: Bergeron, Katherine, Chapter 15: 'Chant, or the politics of inscription' in Companion to Medieval and Renaissance Music Ed. Tess Knighton and David Fallows, University of California Press: Berkeley and Los Angeles, 1992.
5	Listening: Josquin Desprez, Ave Mariavirgo serena, motet (c. 1475) Josquin Desprez, Pange lingua Mass 'Gloria,' and 'Kyrie' (c. 1510) Thomas Weelkes, As Vesta was from Latmos Hill descending, madrigal (1601) All of the Josquin works, the Weelkes and the Bergeron reading are available on Courseworks under Unit 2: Medieval Music and Renaissance Music, Renaissance
	Provisional In-Class Collegium Musicum performance of: Josquin Ave Maria
	UNIT III: EARLY BAROQUE MUSIC
	Thursday, February 1 – Elements of Music Quiz and Monteverdi, <i>L'Orfeo</i> , Act I Elements of Music: Ritornello and Chorus. Discuss requirements for Essay 2: Critical Listening
	Elements of Music Quiz: Full information about the Quiz is detailed on the Elements of Music Guidelines (available on Courseworks)
6	Watch: Act I, Claudio Monteverdi, L'Orfeo (1607), La Capella Reial de Catalunya, Le Concert des Nations (cond. Jordi Savall), dir. Gilbert Deflo, Gran Teatre del Liceu, Barcelona, 2002. Available on Naxos Video Library: Ensure that you select the English SUBTITLES option (bottom right corner). http://columbia.naxosvideolibrary.com.ezproxy.cul.columbia.edu/title/OA0843D/
	For an alternative video version of <i>L'Orfeo</i> (referenced in class): Zurich Opera House Chorus, Zurich Opera House Monteverdi Ensemble (cond. Nikolaus Harnoncourt), dir. Jean-Pierre Ponnelle, Opernhaus Zurich, 1978. Available on Naxos Video Library (select English subtitles): http://columbia.naxosvideolibrary.com.ezproxy.cul.columbia.edu/title/A05000881/

Listening: Monteverdi, L'Orfeo Toccata, Prologue and Act I. The entire opera (audio) for this unit is available to listen in Courseworks under Unit 3: Monteverdi, L'Orfeo. Focus your listening on: D1-01 Toccata D1-02 *Prologo* (Prologue) D1-04 Lasciate i monti (Come from your hills), Act I, chorus of Nymphs Study: the following musical concept in the Sonic Glossary: Ritornello https://www1.columbia.edu/sec/itc/music/sonic/index.html Read and be prepared to discuss in class: Two passages from Ovid's Metamorphoses: the story of Orpheus and Eurydice at the beginning of Book 10: http://etext.virginia.edu/latin/ovid/trans/Metamorph10.htm# Toc484521418 and the death of Orpheus at the beginning of Book 11: http://etext.virginia.edu/latin/ovid/trans/Metamorph11.htm# Toc485520961 Reading: PDF of L'Orfeo libretti is available on Courseworks under Unit 3: Monteverdi Tuesday, February 6 – Monteverdi, L'Orfeo Act II and Act III Elements of Music: Aria, Recitative Secco / Accompagnato, Basso Continuo Watch: L'Orfeo Acts II and III (Liceu, 2002), available on Naxos Video Library (see above links). Listening: L'Orfeo Act II and Act III. Available on Courseworks under Unit 3: Monteverdi. Focus your listening on: D1-07 Vi ricorda, o boschi ombrosi (Do you recall, O shady groves), Act II, aria D1-08 Ahi, caso acerbo! (Ah, bitter event, Ah, impious and cruel fate!), Act II, recitative 7 (Beginning with Messenger, Silvia) D2-02 Possente spirto (O powerful spirit, awe-inspiring presence), Act III, Orfeo, aria Study: the following musical concepts in the Sonic Glossary: Basso Continuo, Recitative https://www1.columbia.edu/sec/itc/music/sonic/index.html Reading: Kelly pages 1-18. Chapter 1 from Kelly's First Nights is available as a PDF in Courseworks under Unit 3: Monteverdi (except pp. 8-18). Thursday, February 8 – Monteverdi, L'Orfeo Acts IV and V Elements of Music: Articulation, Melisma. **DISCUSSION:** Group 1 discussion leading of Kelly Chapter 1. 8 Watch: L'Orfeo Acts IV and V (Liceu, 2002), available on Naxos Video Library (see above links). Listening: L'Orfeo Act IV and V. Focus your listening on: D2-07 beginning at 00:34. Qual honor di te fia degno (What honor could do you justice), Act IV, Orfeo, aria Study: the following musical concepts in the Sonic Glossary: Fermata, Melisma

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	https://www1.columbia.edu/sec/itc/music/sonic/index.html
	Reading: Kelly pp. 19-31. Chapter 1 from Kelly's First Nights is available as a PDF in Courseworks under Unit 3: Monteverdi (except pp. 8-18).
	Listening: L'Orfeo Act V
	Reading: Kelly pp. 31-59 and p. 351-2. If you have not done so already, please finish reading the libretti (including both Act V endings) posted on Courseworks. Chapter 1 (except pp. 8-18) from Kelly's First Nights and the libretti are available on Courseworks under Unit 3: Monteverdi.
	UNIT 4: LATE BAROQUE MUSIC
	Tuesday, February 13 –Handel's Messiah Part I Elements of Music: Word Painting
	Listening: George Frideric Handel Messiah (1741) Part I (ending with "His yoke is easy"). The entire oratorio in this unit is available to listen in Courseworks under Unit 4: Handel's Messiah. Focus your listening on:
	1-03 Every valley, Part I
9	1-12 For unto us a child is born, Part I 1-14 There were shepherds, And Lo, And the Angel said, And Suddenly, Part I
	Study: the following concept in the Sonic Glossary: Word Painting https://www1.columbia.edu/sec/itc/music/sonic/index.html
	Reading: Kelly pp. 60-74 Handel and Jennens' libretto is available in Courseworks under Unit 4: Handel's Messiah
	Thursday, February 15 – Handel's Messiah Part II Elements of Music: Da Capo Aria, Fugue. Discuss requirements for Midterm Examination
	Listening: Messiah Part II (ending with the "Hallelujah" chorus"). Available on Courseworks under Unit 4: Handel's Messiah: Focus your listening on: 1-21 He was despised, Part II
10	2-02 And with his stripes we are healed, Part II 2-21 Hallelujah, Part II
	Study: the following musical concepts in the Sonic Glossary: Da Capo Aria, Fugue https://www1.columbia.edu/sec/itc/music/sonic/index.html
	Reading: Kelly pp. 74-88
1.1	Tuesday, February 20 – Handel's <i>Messiah</i> Part III
11	DISCUSSION: Group 2 discussion leading of Kelly Chapter 2

	Listening: Part III (from "I know that my Redeemer liveth" through the "Amen"). Courseworks under Unit 4: Handel's Messiah Focus your listening on: 2-23 Since by man came death, Part III
	Reading: Kelly pp. 88-107
12	Thursday, February 22 – MIDTERM EXAM Full information about the exam is detailed on the Midterm Exam Guide available on Courseworks.
	Tuesday, February 27 – Bach, Brandenburg Concertos and Puccini La Bohème Discuss requirements for Essay 1: La Bohème Opera Paper (required opera attendance)
	Listening: Johann Sebastian Bach, Brandenburg Concerto No. 5, (before 1721).
13	Reading: McClary, Susan. "The Blasphemy of Talking Politics During Bach Year," (1987) in Reading Music: Selected Essays, Hampshire, England Ashgate, 2007. The Brandenburg Concerto No. 5 and McClary reading are available on Courseworks under Unit 4: Bach, Brandenburg Concerto.
	Reading: Read the synopsis of La Bohème (1896) here: http://www.metopera.org/Discover/Synopses/Synopses1/La-Boheme/
	Thursday, March 1 – Puccini's <i>La Bohème</i> (continued)
	Read and explore the Columbia University and New York City Opera Project website on Puccini's La Bohème here: http://www.columbia.edu/itc/music/NYCO/laboheme/index.html
14	Read: the full libretto of La Bohème here: Act I: https://www1.columbia.edu/sec/itc/music/reserves/librettos/La%20Boheme/act1.html Act II: https://www1.columbia.edu/sec/itc/music/reserves/librettos/La%20Boheme/act2.html Act III: https://www1.columbia.edu/sec/itc/music/reserves/librettos/La%20Boheme/act3.html Act IV: https://www1.columbia.edu/sec/itc/music/reserves/librettos/La%20Boheme/act4.html
	Watch: The Institute for Research on Women, Gender, Sexuality (IRWGS) and Department of Music 'Feminist to the Core: Puccini's La Bohème' panel. Speakers include, Naomi André (Associate Professor of Women's Studies and Afroamerican and African Studies, University of Michigan), Mary Birnbam (Opera Director and Acting Teacher, Juilliard School), Lydia Goehr (Professor of Philosophy, Columbia University), and Annie Randall (Professor of Music, Bucknell University). Moderated by Professor Suzanne Cusick (Professor of Music, NYU). Performers: Maria Brea (singer), Nicolette Mayroleon (singer) and Cherie Roe (pianist): https://vimeo.com/241557675
Met Opera Outing	FRIDAY, MARCH 2, 8pm – METROPOLITAN OPERA OUTING: Puccini's La Bohème. We will attend a performance at The Metropolitan Opera. Director: Franco Zeffirelli.
	Location: The Metropolitan Opera is located on the Upper West Side of Manhattan, between West 62nd and 65th Streets and Columbus and Amsterdam Avenues. Take the No. 1 train to 66th Street

	(Lincoln Center) Station. Do not be late . For more information see the Metropolitan Opera Website: http://www.metopera.org/Season/2017-18-Season/boheme-puccini-tickets/
	UNIT 5: CLASSICAL MUSIC
15	Tuesday, March 6 – Haydn and Mozart Elements of Music: Sonata Form Listening: Joseph Haydn, String Quartet in E flat, Op. 33 No. 2 'The Joke' (1781) Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart, Symphony No. 40 in G Minor, K. 550, (1778). Both works (all movements) are available on Courseworks under Unit: 5 Haydn and Mozart
16	Thursday, March 8 – Beethoven Symphony No. 9, Movement I. (Reminder Essay 2: Critical Listening Paper topics due after spring break) Listening: Ludwig van Beethoven Symphony No. 9 (1824) movement I. The entire work (except movement III) is available on Courseworks under Unit: 5 Beethoven, Symphony No. 9. Reading: Kelly pp. 108-128
	NO CLASSES TUESDAY, MARCH 13 AND THURSDAY, MARCH 15: SPRING RECESS
17	Tuesday, March 20 - Beethoven Symphony No. 9, Movement II and Romanic Lied Elements of Music: Scherzo and Trio. ESSAY 1: LA BOHÈME OPERA PAPER DUE: on Metropolitan Opera performance. Hard copy due at the start of class. Listening: Beethoven Symphony No. 9. Movements II. Available on Courseworks under Unit: 5 Beethoven, Symphony No. 9 Franz Schubert, "Erlkönig" (The Erlking) (1815) Clara Schumann "Der mond kommt still gegangen" (The moon has risen softly) (1843) These works are available to listen on Courseworks under Unit 6: Schubert and Schumann Reading: Kelly pp.128-160
18	Thursday, March 22 – Schubert's Winterreise Lecture Performance and Demonstration Singer Christopher Herbert will discuss and perform Schubert's Winterreise (1827) at Milbank Chapel at Teachers College. CLASS MEETS DIRECTLY AT MILBANK CHAPEL: 525 W. 120 th St, between Amsterdam and Broadway. Here is a map for directions and information: http://www.tc.columbia.edu/media/media-library-2014/top-level-assets/27697_Entrance_Level_Map.pdf SELECTION OF TOPIC FOR ESSAY 2: CRITICAL LISTENING Paper DUE. Post on our Courseworks Discussion page under 'Essay 2: Critical Listening Topic'.

	Tuesday, March 27 – Beethoven Symphony No. 9 (continued), Movement IV
	DISCUSSION: Group 3 discussion leading of Kelly Chapter 3
19	Listening: Beethoven Symphony No. 9. Movement IV and read the text translation, available on Courseworks under Unit: 5 Beethoven, Symphony No. 9.
	Reading: Kelly pp. 160-179
	UNIT 6: ROMANTIC MUSIC
	Thursday, March 29 – Berlioz Symphonie Fantastique, Movements I and II Elements of music: Program music and idée fixe
	Listening: Hector Berlioz Symphonie Fantastique (1830) Movements I and II. The entire work in this unit is available to listen to in Courseworks under Unit 6: Berlioz, Symphonie Fantastique
20	Study: the following musical concepts in the Sonic Glossary: Tremolo, Arpeggio, Sequence https://www1.columbia.edu/sec/itc/music/sonic/index.html
	Reading: Kelly pp.180-225
	Website: Use this interactive website to help you navigate the themes of the work: http://www.keepingscore.org/interactive/berlioz-symphony-fantastique
	Tuesday, April 3 – Berlioz Symphonie Fantastique, Movements III and IV
	Listening: Berlioz Symphonie Fantastique Movements III and IV. Available on Courseworks under Unit 6: Berlioz, Symphonie Fantastique
21	Reading: Kelly pp. 226-255
	Website: Use this interactive website to help you navigate the themes of the work: http://www.keepingscore.org/interactive/berlioz-symphony-fantastique
	Thursday, April 5 – Berlioz Symphonie Fantastique, Movement V
	DISCUSSION: Group 4 discussion leading of Kelly Chapter 4
22	Listening: Berlioz Symphonie Fantastique, Movement V. Available on Courseworks under Unit 6: Berlioz, Symphonie Fantastique
	Website: Use this interactive website to help you navigate the themes of the work: http://www.keepingscore.org/interactive/berlioz-symphony-fantastique

	UNIT 7: TWENTIETH-CENTURY MUSIC
23	Tuesday, April 10 – Debussy and Stravinsky <i>The Rite of Spring</i> Part I Elements of Music: Cross Accents, Choreography and Costume
	Listening: Claude Debussy, Prélude à l'Après-midi d'un faune (Prelude to the Afternoon of a Faun) (1894). Available to listen to on Courseworks under Unit 7: Debussy
	Listen or Watch: Igor Stravinsky The Rite of Spring (1913) Part I "The Adoration of the Earth." The entire work in this unit is available to listen to in Courseworks under Unit 7: Stravinsky, The Rite of Spring
	Study: the following musical concept in the Sonic Glossary: Cross Accent https://www1.columbia.edu/sec/itc/music/sonic/index.html
	Reading: Kelly pp.256-299
	Website: Use this interactive website to help you navigate the themes of the work: http://www.keepingscore.org/sites/default/files/swf/stravinsky/full
	Thursday, April 12 - Stravinsky <i>The Rite of Spring</i> Part I-II
	ESSAY 2: CRITICAL LISTENING PAPER DUE. Hard copy due at the start of class.
24	Listen or Watch: Stravinsky The Rite of Spring Part II "The Sacrifice". Svailable to listen to in Courseworks under Unit 7: Stravinsky, The Rite of Spring
	Reading: Kelly pp. 300-334
	Website: Use this interactive website to help you navigate the themes of the work: http://www.keepingscore.org/sites/default/files/swf/stravinsky/full
	Tuesday, April 17 - Stravinsky <i>The Rite of Spring</i> Part II
25	DISCUSSION: Group 5 discussion of Kelly chapter 5
25	Website: Use this interactive website to help you navigate the themes of the work: http://www.keepingscore.org/sites/default/files/swf/stravinsky/full
26	Thursday, April 19 – Schoenberg and Berg Elements of Music: Atonality, Serialism, Twelve-Tone Composition, Sprechstimme
	Listening: Arnold Schoenberg, Pierrot Lunaire (1912). Read the text here:
	https://www1.columbia.edu/sec/itc/music/reserves/librettos/Pierrot%20Lunaire/pierrot.html Listening: Alban Berg, Wozzeck (1923). Focus your listening on Act III, available on Courseworks.

	Reading: Babbitt, Milton, 'The Composer as Specialist' ("Who Cares if you Listen?" from High Fidelity, VIII/2 (February, 1958) 38-40, 126-27).
	This interactive website is a valuable resource to help navigate the themes of <i>Pierrot Lunaire</i> : http://ccnmtl.columbia.edu/projects/pierrot/ Login: pierrot / melodramas
	Study the following musical concept in the Sonic Glossary: <i>Twelve-Tone Composition</i> https://www1.columbia.edu/sec/itc/music/sonic/index.html
	The Schoenberg <i>Pierrot Lunaire</i> , Act III from Berg's <i>Wozzeck</i> and the Babbitt reading is available to listen to in Courseworks under Unit 7: Schoenberg, Berg and Babbitt
	Tuesday, April 24 – Jazz: Armstrong, Ellington, Parker, Fitzgerald and Evans Elements of Music: Improvisation. Provisional in-class jazz demonstration
27	Listening: Louis Armstrong, "Potato Head Blues" (1927) and "Weather Bird" (1928) Duke Ellington, "Daybreak Express" (1933) Ella Fitzgerald and Duke Ellington, "Take the A Train" (1957) Charlie Parker, "Charlie's Wig" (1947) Bill Evans, "Santa Claus is Coming to Town" (1964)
	Reading: Hodson, Robert, Chapter 1 "Musical Roles and Behaviors." In Interaction, Improvisation, and Interplay in Jazz. New York: Routledge, 2007 pp. 24–34. All of these jazz works and Hodson reading are available on Courseworks under Unit 7: Jazz
	Study the following musical concept in the Sonic Glossary: <i>Jazz Standard</i> https://www1.columbia.edu/sec/itc/music/sonic/index.html
	Thursday, April 26 – American Composers: Cage, Ives, Crawford Seeger, Reich, Conclusions of the Course
28	Listening: Charles Ives, The Unanswered Question (1908) Ruth Crawford Seeger: Piano Study in Mixed Accents (1930) John Cage, 4' 43'' (1952) Steve Reich, It's Gonna Rain, Part I and II (1965) Steve Reich, Music for 18 Musicians (1974-1976)
	Reading: Kelly pp. 335-339 Straus, Joseph N., <i>The Music of Ruth Crawford Seeger</i> , Chapter 4 'Crawford's music in its contexts,' Cambridge, England: Cambridge University Press, 2003
	All of these works the Strauss reading are available to listen to in Courseworks under Unit 7: Music in the 20 th Century, Cage, Ives, Crawford Seeger, Reich
	FINAL EXAM: date is To Be Announced. It is provisionally projected to be on Thursday, May 10 from 1:10-4pm. Please await confirmation before making travel plans. Full information about the exam is outlined on the Final Exam Guide, available on Courseworks.