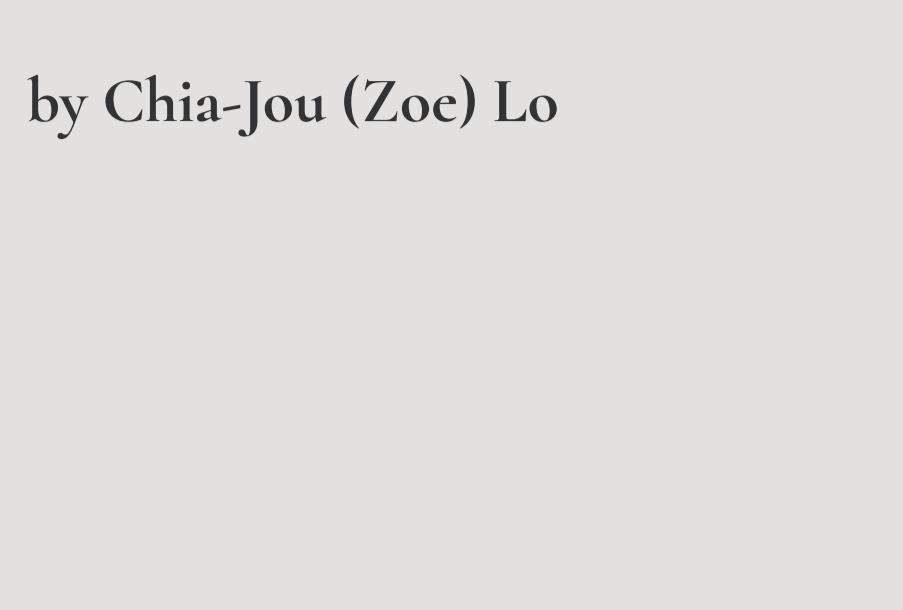


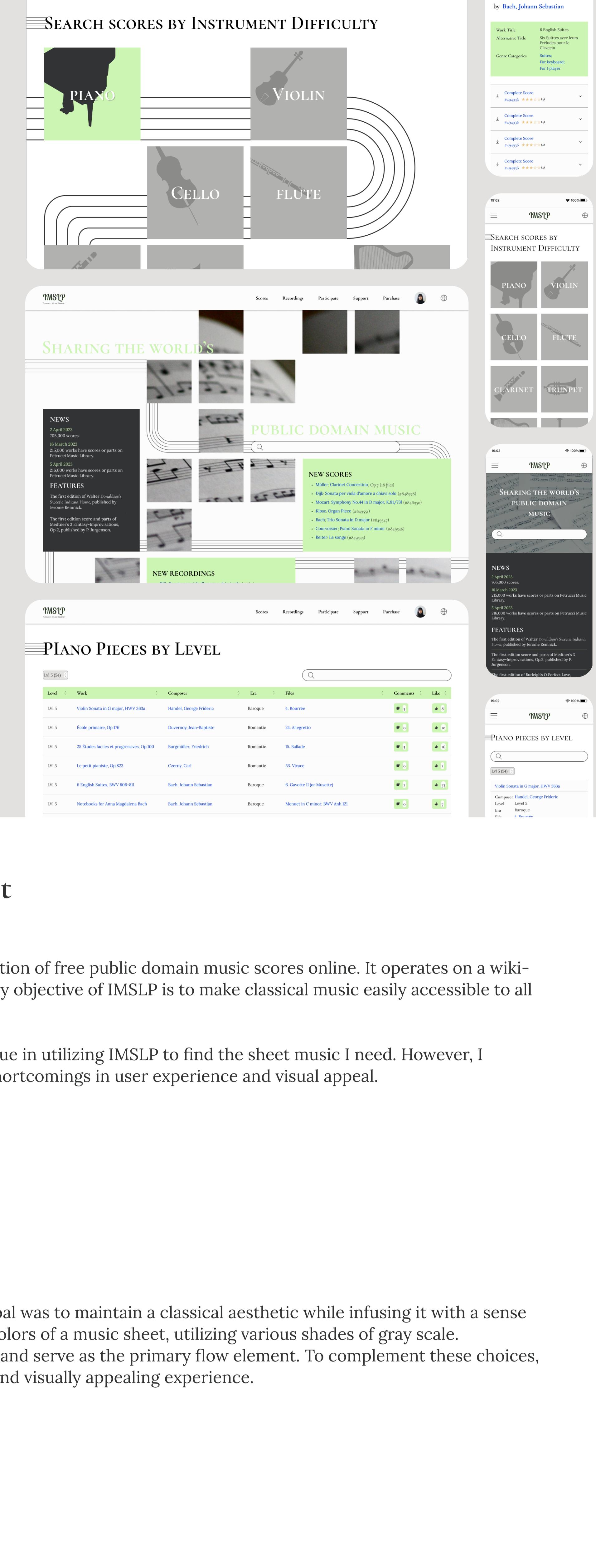
# REDESIGNING



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## WEBSITE

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### What is IMSLP & Why I want to redesign it

IMSLP is a renowned platform that provides access to a vast collection of free public domain music scores online. It operates on a wiki-based model, where users contribute and edit content. The primary objective of IMSLP is to make classical music easily accessible to all and promote the study and appreciation of classical music.

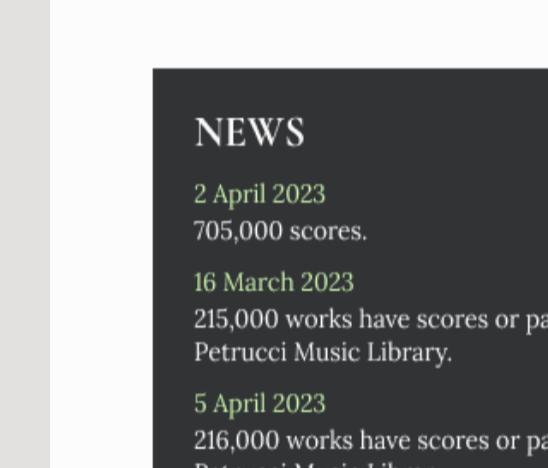
As a passionate classical piano player, I have found tremendous value in utilizing IMSLP to find the sheet music I need. However, I strongly feel the need to redesign the website due to its current shortcomings in user experience and visual appeal.

### Color Theme



When considering the color theme for the website redesign, my goal was to maintain a classical aesthetic while infusing it with a sense of dynamic flow. To achieve this, I incorporated the foundational colors of a music sheet, utilizing various shades of gray scale. Additionally, I introduced a touch of light green to bring freshness and serve as the primary flow element. To complement these choices, I selected a blue shade as the main link color, creating a cohesive and visually appealing experience.

### Typography



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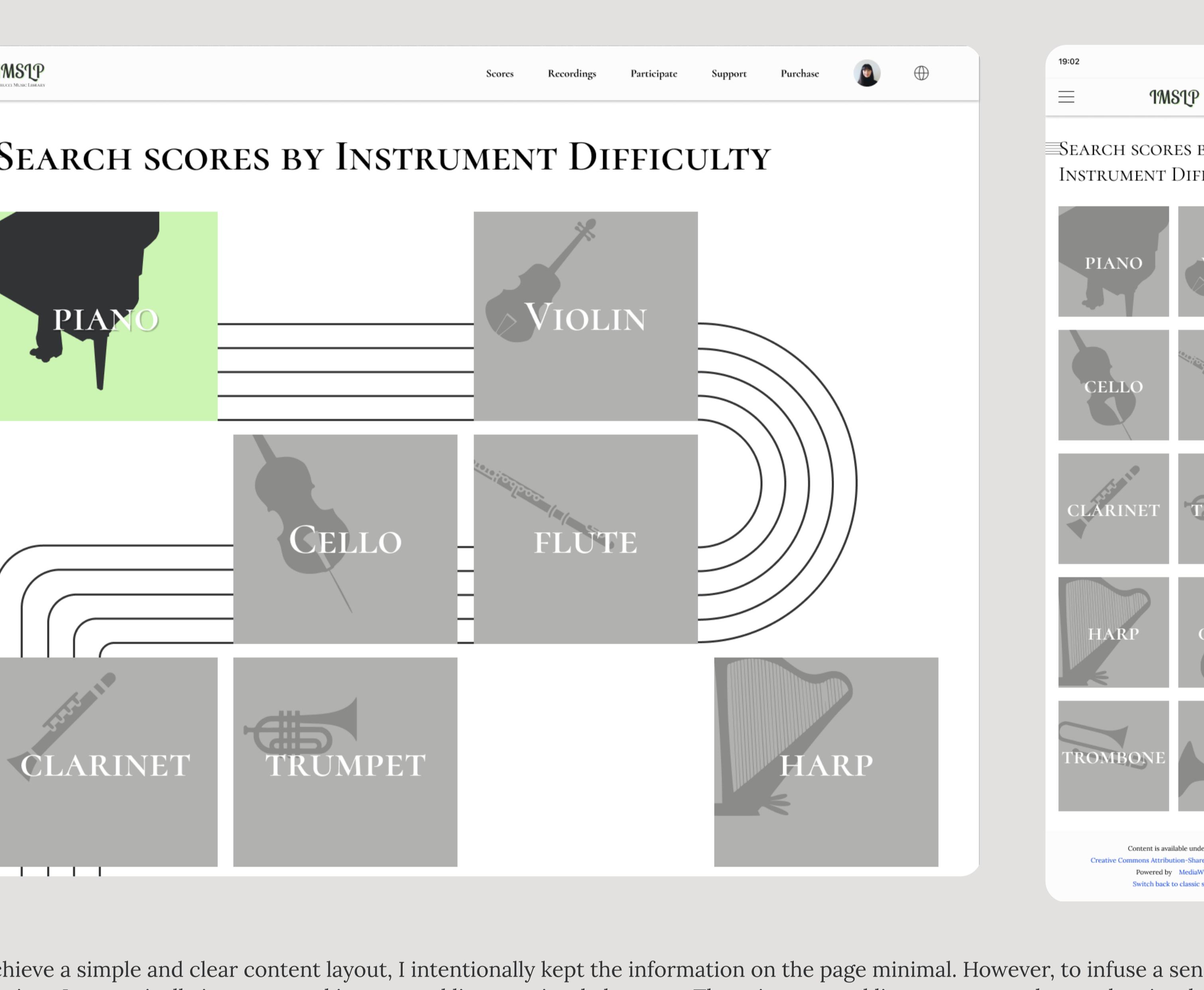
To reflect the essence of music notes, I made the decision to incorporate curved elements into the design of the logo alphabet. These curves mimic the visual characteristics of music notes, adding a symbolic touch to the logo. Furthermore, I utilized a green shadow effect to introduce a sense of dynamism and vitality to the overall design. This combination of curved elements and the use of a green shadow enhances the logo's visual appeal and reinforces its connection to the world of music.

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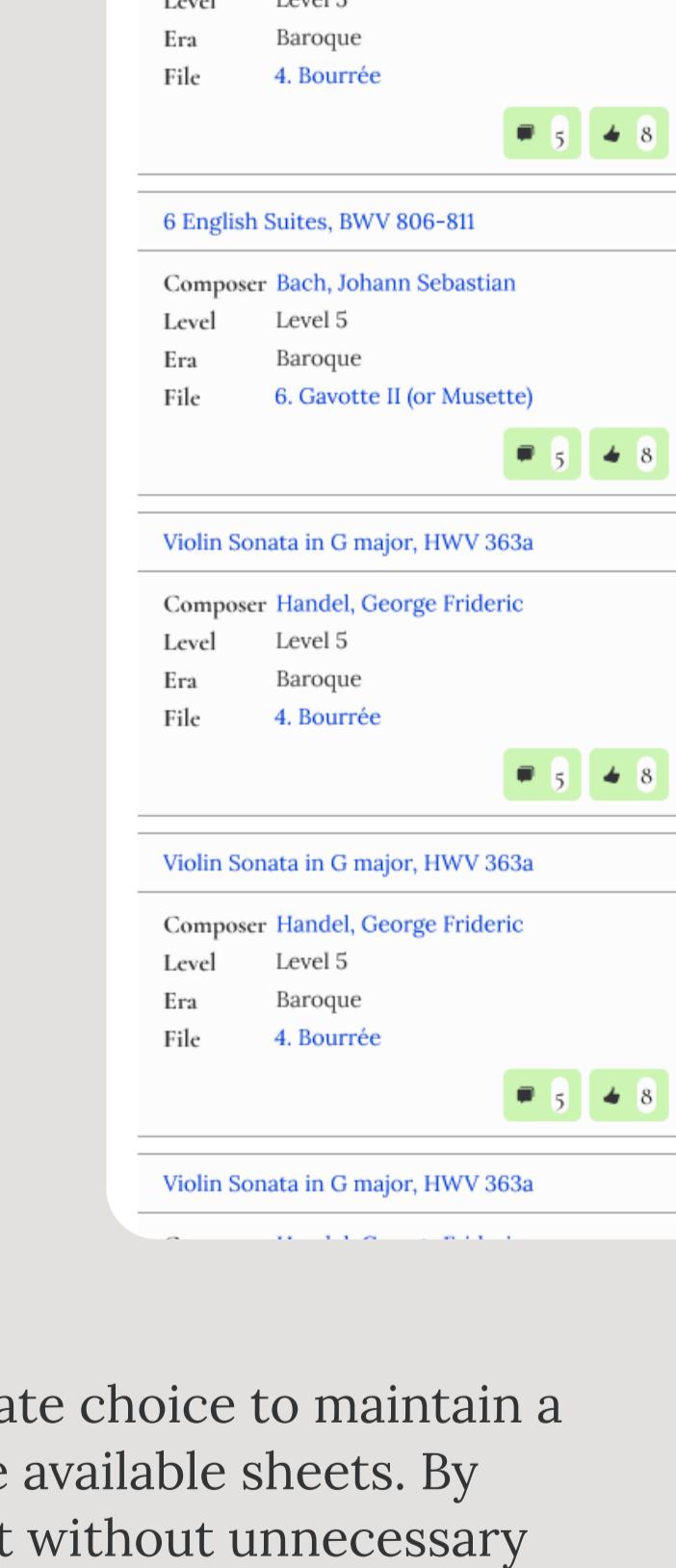
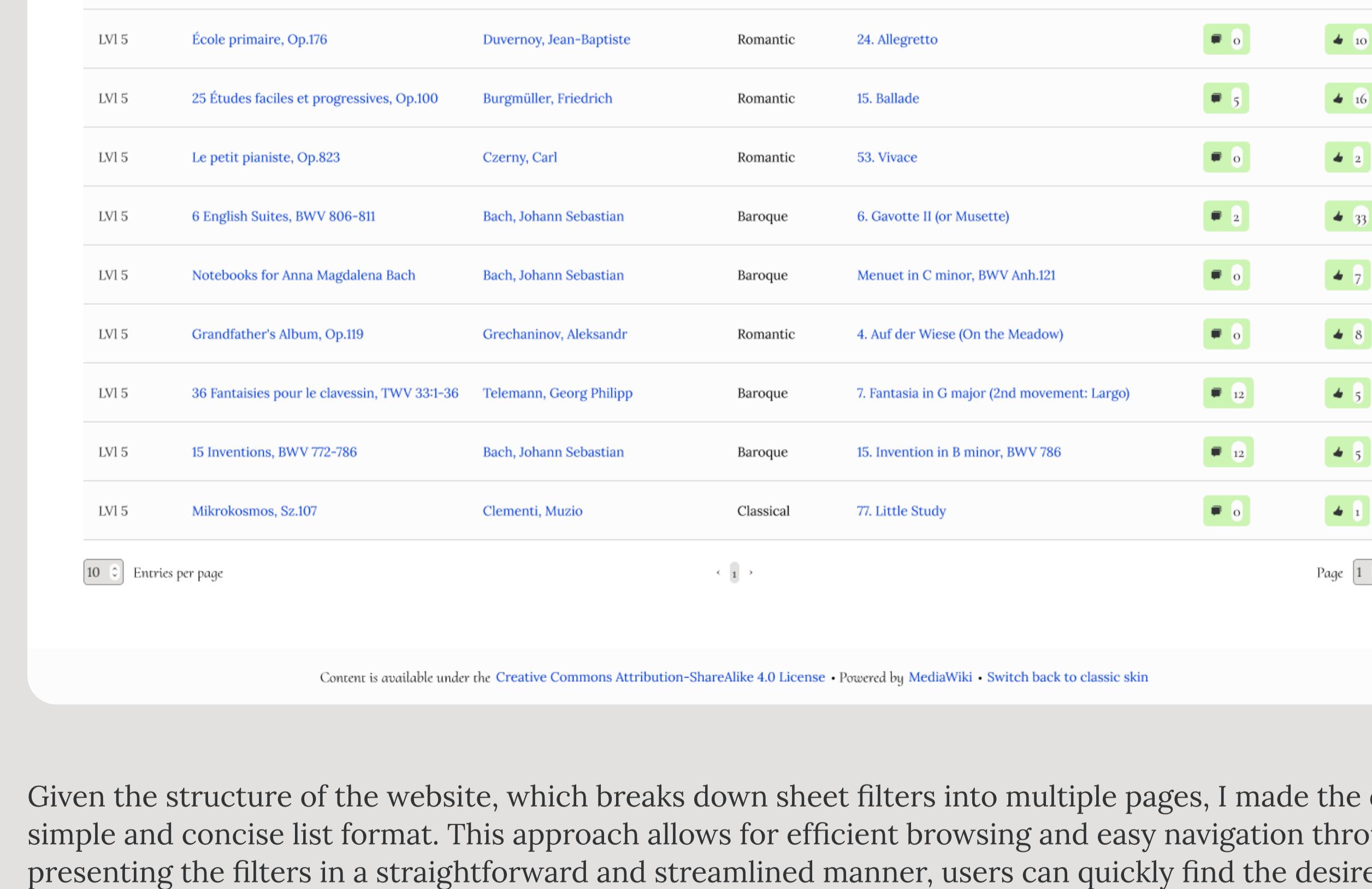
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### Modular Layout



During my exploration of the modular layout, I incorporated a music sheet component to guide the user's viewing direction and break the grids with lines. In each of the two pages, I implemented different scales while maintaining the consistent pattern throughout the design. This approach adds visual interest.

### Home

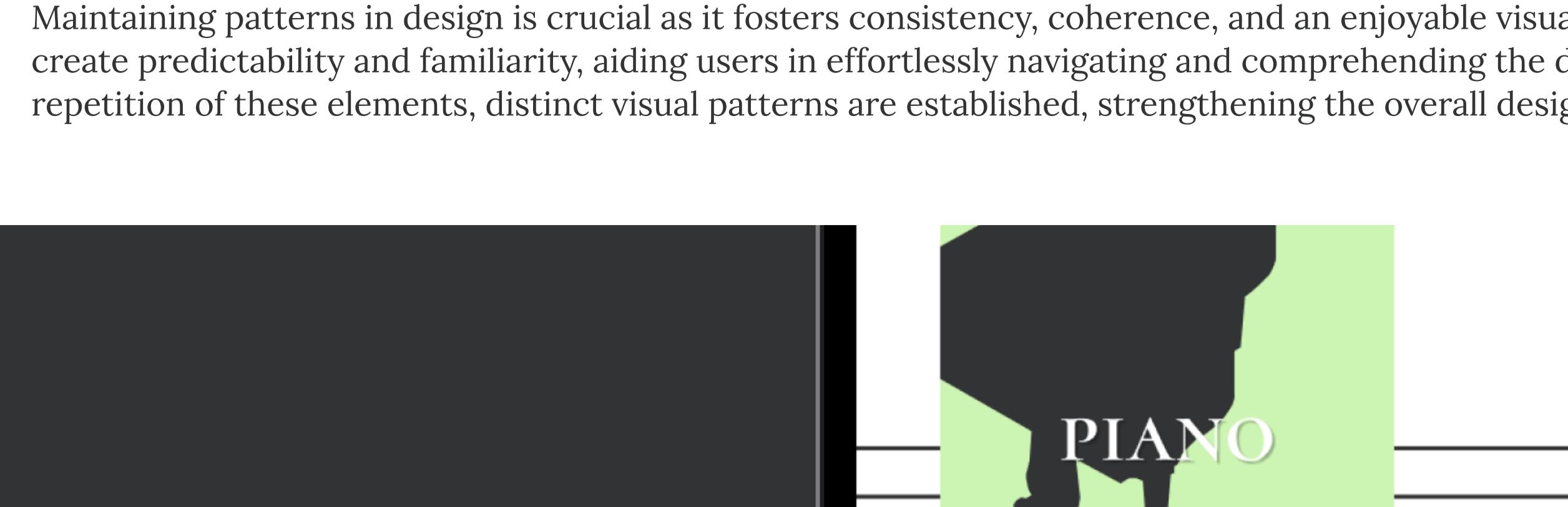


The primary focus of the home page is the search function. To direct users' attention to the search bar, I employed lines and utilized large text, guiding their visual flow towards the search area.

### Mobile

To maintain a dynamic and flowing visual experience while removing the lines and modular grids, I incorporated a video background on the page. This video background adds movement and liveliness to the design, effectively capturing users' attention and maintaining their engagement.

### Search Scores by Instrument Difficulty



To achieve a simple and clear content layout, I intentionally kept the information on the page minimal. However, to infuse a sense of dynamism, I strategically incorporated images and lines as visual elements. These images and lines serve to enhance the visual appeal of the content while maintaining its simplicity and clarity.

### Find Pieces by Level



Given the structure of the website, which breaks down sheet filters into multiple pages, I made the deliberate choice to maintain a simple and concise list format. This approach allows for efficient browsing and easy navigation through the available sheets. By presenting the filters in a straightforward and streamlined manner, users can quickly find the desired sheet without unnecessary complexity or distractions.

### Takeaway

#### Grids are meant to be broken sometimes

Breaking grids in design can be a deliberate and effective technique to create visual interest and enhance the overall composition. While grids provide structure and organization, breaking them can introduce dynamic elements and draw attention to specific areas or content on a page.

#### Maintaining patterns is essential

Maintaining patterns in design is crucial as it fosters consistency, coherence, and an enjoyable visual experience for users. Patterns create predictability and familiarity, aiding users in effortlessly navigating and comprehending the design elements. Through the repetition of these elements, distinct visual patterns are established, strengthening the overall design aesthetic.

