Music Appreciation



The following learning targets represent the major concepts studied and assessed in this course.

Semester 1:

Unit 1: Renaissance

- Discussing political, social, economic ideas that influence music during this time.
- Listening to music of the era and identifying musical/compositional techniques.
- Understanding the culture and social aspects of the era.
- Understanding historical aspects of the era.

Unit 2: Baroque

- Discussing political, social, economic ideas that influence music during this time.
- Listening to music of the era and identifying musical/compositional techniques.
- Understanding the culture and social aspects of the era.
- Understanding historical aspects of the era.

Unit 3: Classical

- Discussing political, social, economic ideas that influence music during this time.
- Listening to music of the era and identifying musical/compositional techniques.
- Understanding the culture and social aspects of the era.
- Understanding historical aspects of the era.

Unit 4: Romantic/20th Century

- Discussing political, social, economic ideas that influence music during this time.
- Listening to music of the era and identifying musical/compositional techniques.
- Understanding the culture and social aspects of the era.
- Understanding historical aspects of the era.

Essential Questions for Each Semester

- 1. What political and social factors are influencing the music being composed?
- 2. How are composers of this era using the elements of music discussed in the introduction?
- 3. What instruments and compositional techniques are being employed during this era?
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- 6. What instruments and compositional techniques are being employed during this era?
- 7. What ideas remained from the previous era and what ideas have changed or are more advanced?