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A History *of*Western Music

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TIMELINE



- 1721 Alessandro Scarlatti, La Griselda
- 1722 Leonardo Vinci, *Li zite* 'ngalera
- 1728 John Gay, The Beggar's Opera
- 1729 Pietro Metastasio appointed court poet to Holy Roman emperor Charles VI in Vienna
- 1731 Johann Adolf Hasse, Cleofide
- 1733 Jean-Philippe Rameau, Hippolyte et Aricie
- 1733 Giovanni Battista Pergolesi, *La serva padrona*
- 1736 Pergolesi, Stabat mater
- 1749 Baldassare Galuppi, L'Arcadia in Brenta
- 1752 Jean-Jacques Rousseau, Le devin du village
- 1752-54 Querelle des bouffons in France
- 1753 Niccolò Jommelli, Atillio Regolo
- 1755 Carl Heinrich Graun, Der Tod Jesu
- 1755 Francesco Algarotti, An Essay on the Opera
- 1755 Francesco Araja composes first opera in Russian, Tsefal i Prokris
- 1762 Christoph Willibald Gluck, Orfeo ed Euridice
- 1762-96 Reign of Catherine the Great of Russia
- 1778 La Scala opera house opens in Milan
- 1784 André Ernest Modeste Grétry, Richard Coeur-de-Lion
- 1794 William Billings, The Continental Harmony

EXAMPLE 21.1 Leonardo Vinci, T'aggio mmidea, from Li zite 'ngalera, Act I, Scene ll Can

 $\label{lucia: Invy you, beautiful bird! You disport yourself among the branches, you sing, you want to hide. And I dress up in feathers.$

Ciommatella: Why in feathers?

Bellucia: Ciomma, what's the use? I told you why

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FIGURE 21.1 Performance of an intermezzo, a short comic work given between the acts of an opera seria. This Venetian painting shows not only how such works were staged, but also how audiences behaved. Some are seated, others standing, and only some are paying attention to the performers on stage, while several are engaged in conversations. The silent attentiveness now expected of audiences for operas and classical concerts was a creation of the nineteenth century.

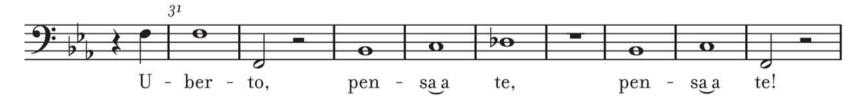
EXAMPLE 21.2 Giovanni Battista Pergolesi, Son imbrogliato io già, from La serva padrona

a. Opening



I am all mixed up! I have a certain something in my heart; truly, I cannot tell [whether it's love or pity.]

b. Later passage



[I hear a voice that tells me:] Uberto, think of yourself!

FIGURE 21.2 Pietro Metastasio, in a portrait by Pompeo Batoni.



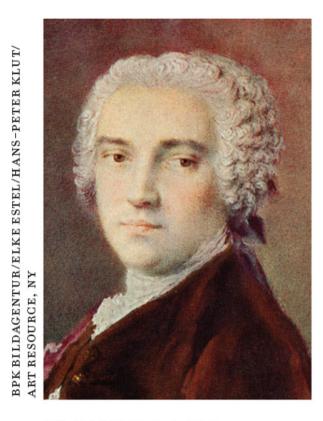


FIGURE 21.3 Johann Adolf Hasse, in a pastel portrait by Felicitas Hoffmann.

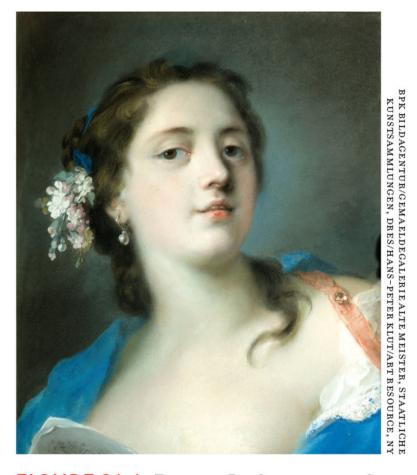


FIGURE 21.4 Faustina Bordoni in a pastel portrait by female artist Rosalba Giovanni Carriera (1675–1757).



so-ro; Che m'a

Di-gli ch'è il mio te

so-ro,



EXAMPLE 21.4 Jean-Jacques Rousseau, J'ai perdu tout mon bonheur, from Le devin du village



I have lost all my joy, I have lost my servant. Colin forsakes me.

FIGURE 21.5 Aticket for a performance of The Beggar's Opera at the Theatre Royal at Covent Garden in London. The evening's receipts were to be paid to Thomas Walker, the actor playing the central character, the notorious thief and murderer Macheath. In the engraving by renowned satirist William Hogarth (1697-1764), Polly and Lucy, both in love with Macheath, plead for his release from prison.





FIGURE 21.6 A 1775

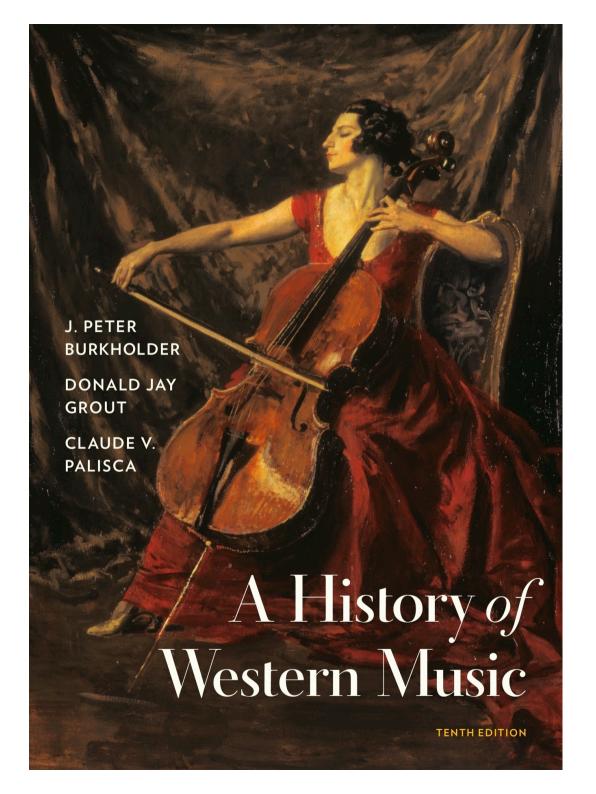
portrait of Christoph

Willibald Gluck by JosephSiffred Duplessis.

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FIGURE 21.7 The frontispiece to William Billings's New-England Psalm-Singer (1770). Surrounding the singers at the table is a canon for six voices with a ground bass to be sung "by three or four deep voices." Engraving by Paul Revere, later a hero of the American Revolution.





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