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Composer of the month: March Claude Debussy

The idea of the project is that each month children will be learning about one composer and listen to their compositions for the entire month.



What to listen to?

1. Reverie

https://www.youtube.com/wa tch?v=QRjIIL-MP0U

2. La Mer

https://www.youtube.com/wa
tch?v=FOCucJw7iT8

3. Clair de Lune

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Yri2JNhyG4k

4. Syrinx

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=RNjroFNi7mA

Claude Debussy (1862–1918) was a 20th-century French composer and one of the most remarkable figures working within the field of impressionist music. As a child, Debussy was fascinated by visual art, and as he grew up, he loved the new style called "Impressionism." Instead of painting realistic life, like paintings with hard outlines, Impressionists used thousands of dots, or many different shades of color to create the "impression" of what they wanted to depicture. Debussy took that idea and applied it to music, creating Impressionism in music.

Debussy's obvious talent for the piano led to his winning a place at the junior department of the Paris Conservatoire in 1872 when he was only 10 years old. Debussy started the modern period of classical music. His music often sounds quite soft and 'dreamy' and much of his music is written for the piano.