

Reedley College
Music Appreciation
Music 12
Course # 56864
Syllabus - Fall 2015

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Text: Music: An Appreciation
(Roger Kamien – Eighth Edition)

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Location: Reedley College
Band Room #170
Meets: Tuesday (6:00-8:50)

Course Description: The course acquaints students with basic music concepts and terminology. These concepts are then employed in the study of the past 900 years of our musical heritage.

Goal of Class: This class is designed to introduce the student to a basic history of music from the Early Period through the Modern Period, which encompasses the current music of today. Students will also be introduced to the families of instruments from orchestral, band and electronic. Students will be able to demonstrate a basic knowledge of music through quizzes, Mid-Term, assignments and a Final exam.

Class meetings: Aug.18 .25, Sept. 1, 8, 15, 22, 29 Oct. 6, 13, 20, 27, Nov. 3, 10, 17 Dec.1, Dec. 8, 15

- Aug. 18** Intro of course content and assignments-What is Music? Why we have music.
Characteristics of sound- Sources and Mediums of music- Early Period
- Aug. 25 Quiz #1** Families of Instruments, Early period – Renaissance Period
- Sept. 1 Quiz #2** Families of Instruments, Elements of Music – Renaissance Period
- Sept. 8 Quiz #3** Forms and Textures of Music, Critiques – Baroque Period
- Sept. 11 Last day to drop a full term class to avoid a “W”**
- Sept. 15 Quiz #4** Composers –Baroque and Classical Period comparisons
- Sept. 18 Last day to change a fall class to/from a Pass/No-Pass grading basis**
- Sept. 22 Quiz #5** Composers - Classical period as compared to Romantic Period
- Sept. 29 No Quiz** – Review class to date – Prepare for Mid-Term
- Oct. 6 Mid Term** Reminder of assignments (reports, critiques, composition)
- Oct. 13** Hand back and go over Mid-Term – Romantic Period Composers
- Oct. 16 Last day to drop a class (letter grades assigned after this date)**
- Oct. 20 Quiz #6** Texture of orchestration – Impressionism – Composers
- Oct. 27 Quiz #7** Nationalism and Ethnic Music – Modern Period
- Nov. 3 Quiz #8** Jazz – Folk – Pop – Composers – Experiencing composition
- Nov. 10 Quiz #9** Discuss class to date – Assignments due date: Nov. 25
- Nov. 17 Quiz #10 Review for Final** - Assignments may be handed in
- Nov. 24 Assignments may be handed in - Review for Final**
- Dec. 1 Assignments Due**
- Dec. 8 FINAL**
- Dec. 15 Hand back Finals and Assignments**

Grades: 90% and above =A 80-89% = B 70-79% = C 60-69% = D 59% and below = F
Quiz = 50 pts. **Mid-Term** = 25 pts. **Assignments** = 50 pts. **Participation** = 25 points
Final = 50 pts. **Total points** = 200