



## Legato in Times of Staccato

### Playlist 4 - Monday, April 20th, 2020

*Curated by Music Director, Fouad Fakhouri*

#### *Bruckner: Symphony No. 7*

Claudio Abbado was a great Italian conductor who, sadly, passed away in 2014. This brilliant symphony by Anton Bruckner is by far one of my favorite works in the symphonic repertoire.

#### *Shostakovich: Festive Overture*

This piece was selected by WFSO staff member Hannah Wadley who says the following about her choice:

“I love listening to this piece. It makes me feel like I am walking into a castle. I love how quick this piece is, it’s very upbeat and fun. One of my favorite overtures.”

#### *Robbie Williams: Feel*

I love Robbie Williams’s unique voice. He first became famous as a member of the group “Take That”. The official video of this song features the actress Daryl Hannah.

#### *Barber – Adagio for Strings*

This piece was chosen by WFSO staff member Amanda Peck who says the following about her selection:

“This piece moves my heart each time I listen to it. It’s incredible how a simple, repetitive melody can be truly moving in the way Barber composed in layers, utilizing expression, dynamics and range.”

#### *Lutoslawski: Symphony No. 3*

Lutoslawski was a magnificent Polish composer and a terrific orchestrator.



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As his career unfolded he became more and more interested in aleatoric musical techniques. This symphony will, without a doubt, go down as one of the most significant works of the latter 20<sup>th</sup> century.

### *Prokofiev Piano Concerto #3*

I have always loved Martha Argerich's playing. She is an outstanding pianist who is technically flawless. Prokofiev, himself, was a great concert pianist who wrote brilliantly for the instrument. This is a great concerto that spotlights the skills of the soloist.

### *Mozart Piano Concert No. 27*

A great collaboration between the incredible pianist, Emil Gilels, and conductor Kurt Masur performing Mozart's piano concerto No. 27.

### *Brahms: Symphony No. 4*

Carlos Kleiber was considered by many as one of the best conductors of all time. Although, this performance was recorded closer to the end of his life, it still captures his exceptional ability and artistry at shaping music in real time.

### *Rimsky-Korsakov: Capriccio Espagnol*

A multi-movement orchestral suite based on Spanish folk melodies. Capriccio Espagnol was selected by a good friend (from Michigan) whose brother resides in Wichita Falls.

### *John Adams: The Chairman Dances*

This great work was suggested by Matt English.

John Adams is one of today's most accomplished American contemporary composers. He is best known for his highly regarded operas such as Nixon in China, Doctor Atomic, and The Death of Klinghoffer.



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Two Songs by Italian singer Eros Ramazzotti:

*Eros Ramazzotti & Tina Turner: Cose Della Vita*

*Eros Ramazzotti: La Cosa Mas Bella (Piu Bella Cosa)*

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