

Musician Research Presentation Project

- Step 1.** With a partner, pick a musician from the list provided for the instrument we are studying.
- Step 2.** Using the internet, research and answer the following questions about this musician. These answers will be put into a PowerPoint/slides presentation to present your musician to your classmates.
- Step 3:** Using YouTube, find a recording of the musician that you think showcases them well and answer the below questions about the recording.

Presentation Slides should include:

1. **Introduction**: Musicians Name & Date of Birth (and date of death if applicable). What are they most famous for?
2. **Musicians background** (Where are they from, how did they become famous, who were they before they became famous.
3. **Early Years**: How did they first get started in their music endeavors, what got them started on this path? Family? Schooling?
4. **Greatest Achievement**: What are they most known for? How has it affected their life? Why is the achievement so important?
5. **Other Achievements**: What other things have they done that make them stand out? What impact have they made?
6. **Interesting facts** about this musician (hobbies, what they like to do for fun? What other things are they good at besides what they are known for?
7. If they are famous for playing instruments other than the one we are studying, find a time when they did play our instrument and why they used it or what they used it for.

Song Recording:

1. Listen to some songs that the Artist has performed using the instrument we are studying in class.
2. Pick your favorite and write about why you chose this song. What is the style? Do they chord or pick melodies or both? What is the strumming pattern like? Does it bring up any imagery for you? Is there other instruments involved? Are there lyrics? What does it make you think of? If not for this project would you ever have listened to this musician? Do you like it? Why or why not? Justify your answer.
3. Your final slide of your presentation should include the video or a link to the video you chose to show the class. Make sure to include the name of the song.

Presentation:

Presentations should be no longer than 5 minutes including watching a max of 1:30 of the video you chose.