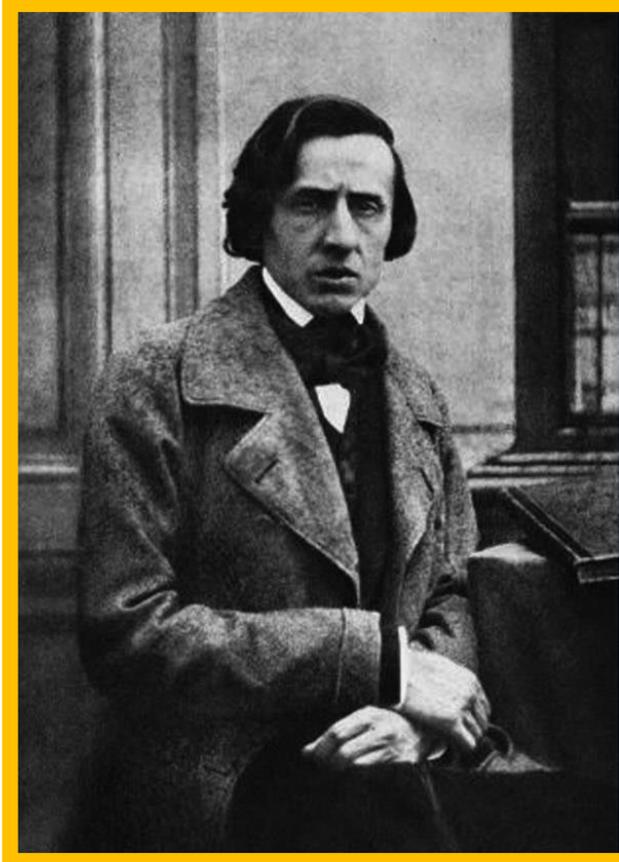


# Frédéric Chopin



Born: 1810

Died: 1849

# Frydryck Chopin



- Fryderyk Chopin was born on March 1<sup>st</sup>, 1810 in Zelazowa Wola in Poland.
- His parents were Mikolaj and Justyna Chopin.
- By the age of 6 he mastered the piano.
- He practised the music of J.S. Bach daily.

# Frydryck Chopin



- His first composition was created when he was seven years old.
- His father wrote the notation out for him.

# Frydryck Chopin



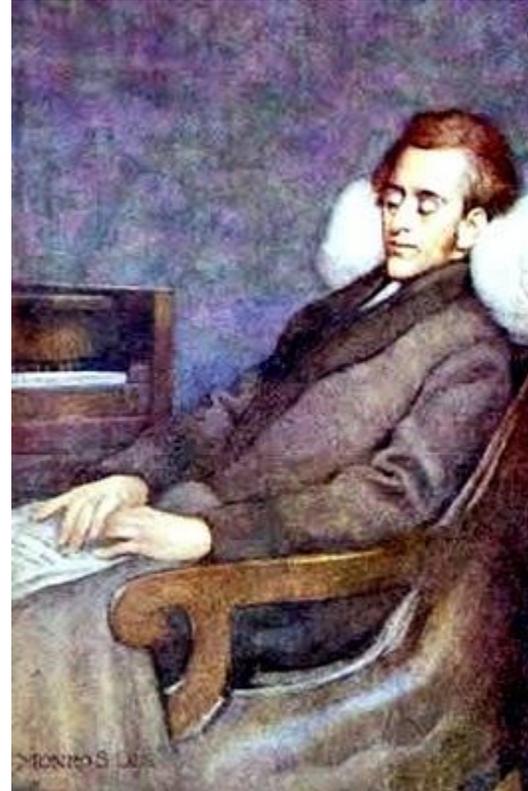
- Chopin was ill most of his life
- Biggest illness was tuberculosis
- His father and sister died of tuberculosis
- Exposed to tuberculosis while they were young in Poland

His first public appearance at a charity concert at the Blue Palace.



- He disliked public performances and preferred to play for small groups of friends.
- He played publicly thirty times.
- He earned his income mainly by teaching.

- At the age of thirty his health began to fail.
- He was often bedridden.
- However, he still continued to teach.





Chopin died of tuberculosis on October 17, 1849.

He is buried at Pere Lachaise Cemetery, in Paris.



Majority of his music  
was written for the  
piano.

There are a total of  
230 Chopin  
compositions.

Chopin is one of the  
great masters of the  
Romantic Era.

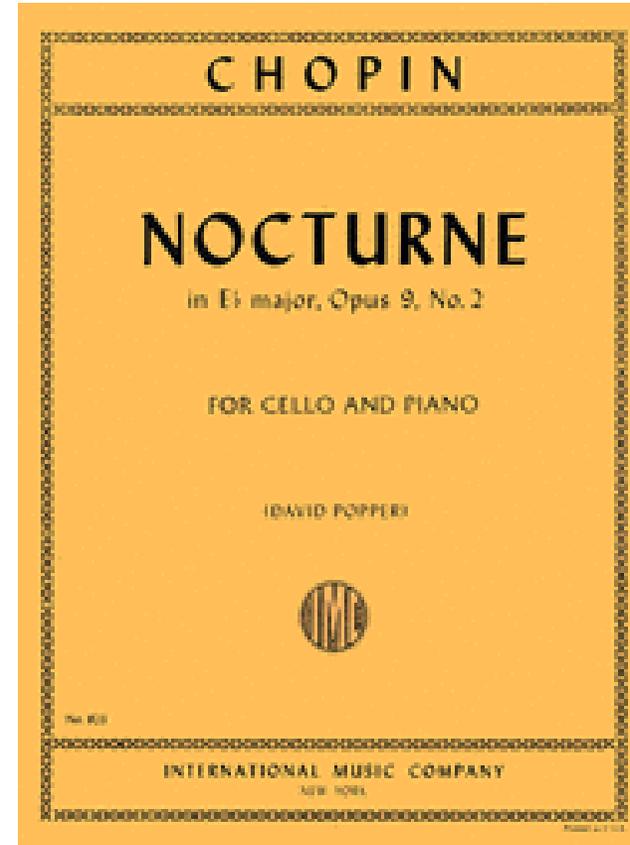
# Piano Sonata No. 2 in Bb minor

- Composed between 1837-1839 and published in 1840
- Written while in Paris.
- One of the most famous Chopin piano pieces.



# Nocturne Op. 9 No. 2

- Composed between 1830-1832 and published in 1832.
- In music, nocturne means a short composition, usually for piano.
- In art, nocturne means a picture of a night time scene.



# Ballade No 1 in G Minor, op. 23

- Composed from 1835 – 1836
- Dedicated to Monsier le Baron de Stochausen.
- Inspired by the poem *Konrad Wallenrod*.
- The most popular of the four ballades.



# Ballade No. 3 in A flat major

- Composed in 1841
- Dedicated to Mademoiselle Pauline de Noailles
- Inspired by the poem *Switerzianka*
- Considered the technically easiest of the four ballades.

