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**Recording Music on Location** Mar 23 2020  
Recording Music on Location provides an excellent array of information on all aspects of recording outside the confines of the studio. Whether recording in the local blues club or in an orchestra hall Bartlett explains clearly how to achieve professional results. Describing the latest technological developments in portable digital multitrack recorders and high-quality mixers, this book emphasises that recording on location is becoming possible for everyone. From planning on paper to the practical aspects of the set up, this book offers you expert advice on every stage of recording on location. Polish your skills for recording surround sound by following the written and audio examples of different miking techniques. Packed with hints and tips on how to make location recording easier for you this book is a great reference for anyone planning to venture outside the studio. The included audio CD demonstrates topics throughout the book.  
[Classical CD Library](#) Jul 27 2020 A guide for lay music lovers who wish to explore classical music on compact discs (CDs), and begin a home library of the best recorded classical music.

**The Insider's Guide to Classical Recordings** Jun 18 2022 For hundreds of thousands of loyal listeners throughout the United States, Jim Svejda's weekly radio program The Record Shelf is not to be missed. Now, this amusing and irreverent guide captures the special flavor of Svejda's unique program. Without fear or favor, he recommends his choices of CDs and cassettes for hundreds of compositions from the standard, and not-so-standard, fare. You'll enjoy reading this wryly humorous and candid collection time and time again. "No one on the air treats both composers and performers with such personal devotion or has such a fine ear for differences in inflections and interpretations." --New York Times "The best, most searching and fascinating review of music around." --Dudley Moore "If you want to expand or enrich your musical horizons, this book is indispensable. No matter how sophisticated you may be about the world of classical music, Jim Svejda's book will introduce you to new performances and perspectives." --Michael Medved, PBS's Sneak Preview "Great fun to read." --Sir Andre Preven  
**Discovering Great Music** Sep 28 2020 Updated with the latest CD releases, this

indispensable classical music sourcebook covers 60 composers, 150 recording artists, and buying recommendations, and provides a concise history of classical music--from Baroque to avant-garde. A comprehensive glossary of musical terms, and more.  
[The New York Times Essential Library: Classical Music](#) Nov 23 2022 A dazzling appraisal of the definitive classical music performances available today For classical music lovers, there is nothing more beguiling and exciting than the range of technique and emotion that can capture or transform the great works in the hands of a conductor and musicians. But with hundreds of recordings released every year, discovering the jewels is a challenge, for newcomers as well as for connoisseurs. New York Times classical music critic Allan Kozinn offers the ultimate collector's guide, packed with a rich history of the composers and performers who stir our souls. From Bach's eloquent Goldberg Variations performed by master pianist Glenn Gould at the beginning and end of his career in startlingly different interpretations, to a lyrical performance of Rimsky-Korsakov's Scheherazade conducted by Kiril Kondrashin

shortly after his defection from the Soviet Union, Kozinn places each work in the greater context of musical development and stretches the listener's understanding of each pivotal composition. These original essays on the one hundred greatest recorded classical works provide both practical guidance for building a library and deep insight into the transcendent power of music itself.

**Recording Classical Music** Apr 28 2023

Recording Classical Music presents the fundamental principles of digitally recording and editing acoustic music in ambient spaces, focusing on stereo microphone techniques that will help musicians understand how to translate "live" environments into recorded sound. The book covers theory and the technical aspects of recording from sound source to delivery: the nature of soundwaves and their behavior in rooms, microphone types and the techniques of recording in stereo, proximity and phase, file types, tracking and critical listening, loudness, meters, and the post-production processes of EQ, control of dynamic range (compressors, limiters, dynamic EQ, de-essers), and reverberation (both digital reflection simulation and convolution), with some discussion of commercially available digital plugins. The final part of the book applies this knowledge to common recording situations, showcasing not only strategies for recording soloists and small ensembles, along with case studies of several recordings, but also studio techniques that can enhance or replace the capture of

performances in ambient spaces, such as close miking and the addition of artificial reverberation. Recording Classical Music provides the tools necessary for anyone interested in classical music production to track, mix, and deliver audio recordings themselves or to supervise the work of others.

**The Gramophone Classical Music Guide**

2011 May 25 2020 The Gramophone Classical Music Guide 2011 is the essential guide for music lovers collecting their music on CD, DVD or as a download, drawing on Gramophone magazine's 85-year experience of reviewing classical music on record. Whether you're just dipping a toe into the huge, but rewarding, world of classical music, or already have a substantial collection, The Gramophone Classical Music Guide 2011 is an invaluable companion.

*Recording Orchestra and Other Classical Music Ensembles* Aug 20 2022 Recording Orchestra and Other Classical Music Ensembles explores techniques and methodologies specific to recording classical music. Whether a newcomer or a seasoned engineer looking to refine their skills, this book speaks to all levels of expertise and covers every aspect of recording symphonic and concerto repertoire, opera, chamber music, and solo piano. With a focus on the orchestra as an instrument and sound source, this book features sections on how to listen, understanding microphones, concert halls, orchestra seating arrangements, how to set up the monitoring environment, and how to

approach recording each section of the orchestra. Recording Orchestra provides concise information on preparing for a recording session, the role of the producer, mixing techniques, and includes a "quick-start" reference guide with suggested setups aimed at helping introduce the reader to the recording process. A companion website, featuring audio examples of various techniques, reinforces concepts discussed throughout the book. The content of the book includes: Clear, practical advice in plain language from an expert in classical music recording, multiple Grammy award winning recording engineer, and university professor The "secret of recording": a collection of practical recording techniques that have been proven to be highly successful in the field, on many occasions Never before published information written by an industry veteran with over twenty five-years of experience in classical music recording Specific techniques and strategies for recording orchestra, opera, wind symphony, chorus, string quartet, and other common classical music ensembles.

**The Penguin Guide to Compact Discs and DVDs Yearbook** Jan 01 2021

The essential companion volume updating Penguin's most recent CD/DVD guide This yearbook supplements The Penguin Guide to Compact Discs and DVDs, the largest and most comprehensive survey of classical music on digital audio and video discs ever published. Together, the two books cover thousands of

recordings and films, offering candid evaluation of their relative artistic and technical merits, highlighting notable performances, and pinpointing best buys. This yearbook not only reviews the many hundreds of CDs that have appeared since the publication of the main guide in 2005, but it also takes a close look at some of the more unusual areas of the classical music repertoire and includes an extensive section on instrumental concerts and recitals. Designed to help select the very best classical music and video discs available to date, *The Penguin Guide to Compact Discs and DVDs Yearbook* is an invaluable resource for any classical music lover.

[Classical Listening](#) Jun 25 2020 *Classical Listening: Two Decades of Reviews of Reviews* from *The American Record Guide* collects the several hundred reviews produced since Rob Haskins's start in the mid-1990s. A performer and musicologist, Haskins writes delightful, cogent reviews that unapologetically reflect his personal experience, musical interests, and professional background, emphasizing the value of subjectivity in music criticism. Witty, provocative, and eloquent, Haskins's book reads like a diary of personal experience even as it addresses important topics as diverse as historical performance practice and the aesthetics of contemporary music. It is also a perfect guide to buying or listening for the classical music devotee seeking an informed opinion on the breadth of remarkable recordings available.

**Recording the Classical Guitar** Jul 07 2021 *Recording the Classical Guitar* charts the evolution of classical guitar recording practice from the early twentieth century to the present day, encompassing the careers of many of the instrument's most influential practitioners from acoustic era to the advent of the CD. A key focus is on the ways in which guitarists' recorded repertoire programmes have shaped the identity of the instrument, particularly where national allegiances and musical aesthetics are concerned. The book also considers the ways in which changing approaches to recording practice have conditioned guitarists' conceptions of the instrument's ideal representation in recorded form and situates these in relation to the development of classical music recording aesthetics more generally. An important addition to the growing body of literature in the field of phonomusicology, the book will be of interest to guitarists and producers as well as students of record production and historians of classical music recording.

*Absolute Music, Mechanical Reproduction* Dec 20 2019 Recordings are now the primary way we hear classical music, especially the more abstract styles of "absolute" instrumental music. In this original, provocative book, Arved Ashby argues that recording technology has transformed our understanding of art music. Contesting the laments of nostalgic critics, Ashby sees recordings as socially progressive and instruments of a musical vernacular, but

also finds that recording and absolute music actually involve similar notions of removing sound from context. He takes stock of technology's impact on classical music, addressing the questions at the heart of the issue. This erudite yet concise study reveals how mechanical reproduction has transformed classical musical culture and the very act of listening, breaking down aesthetic and generational barriers and mixing classical music into the soundtrack of everyday life.

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**The Penguin Guide to Recorded Music** Apr 16 2022 This new completely revised edition of the Penguin Guidesurveys the major classical recordings issued and reissued over the past five decades, many of which have dominated the catalogue because of their sheer excellence, irrespective of their recording dates. More thorough than ever before, it indicates key recordings on CD, as well as on DVD, with their extra video dimension, and enhanced SACD, including those in surround sound. If you want the finest available version of any major classical work (including DVDs of opera and ballet) you will find it listed and acutely assessed in these pages. THE PENGUIN GUIDE TO RECORDED CLASSICAL MUSIC OFFERS- The pick of the latest releases, as well as all key

established recordings The greatest historic recordings, many in outstanding new transfers (including the very first recording of Beethoven's Fifth Symphony) An in-depth survey of the best of the budget-priced CDs, including countless new issues A comprehensive new collection of 'Portraits' of the major artists - singers, conductors and instrumentalists

**A Century of Recorded Music** Dec 24 2022 Looks at the history of recording technology and its effect on music, including artistic performance, listening habits, and audience participation.

**Recorded Classical Music** Jun 06 2021  
**"Roll Over Beethoven"** Aug 28 2020 As the musical world looks at decreasing sales of classical music recorded on solid media, alarm bells sound. Why is there such a disparity between sales of classical recordings and those of popular music? This study seeks to understand if the situation in today's record market is a result of actions taken by classical recording companies in the critical time period between 1956 and 1982. Profound cultural, as well as technological changes occurred during this time period, necessitating reaction by classical music recording labels. Highlighting these developments, this study seeks to determine the sufficiency of actions by American classical recording companies with the overarching goal of understanding whether or not the seeds for the present situation of classical records were sown in this era.

*Classical Music* Nov 30 2020 Encompassing more than five hundred classical composers past and present, this listener's guide to classical music discusses the best recordings of symphonies, operas, choral pieces, chamber music, and more by the world's leading composers as performed by a variety of outstanding musicians and conductors, and includes essays on the classical repertory, composers, instruments, and more. Original.  
**The Essential Classical Recordings** Jul 19 2022 Most guides to classical recordings on CD comprise thousands of brief listings. In their attempt to be comprehensive, they end up being heavy and intimidating. Phillips knows better. He sticks to what he considers to be the 101 essential CDs, and tells readers not only why each one is the best recording in his opinion, but also why this piece of music belongs in their collection and where thecomposer fits into the evolution of classical music. Read consecutively, the recommendations — from medieval Gregorian chant to Arvo Pärt's *Fratres*, written in 1977 — form a dazzling and concise history of classical music. Bach, Beethoven, and Mozart are here, of course, along with other beloved but lesser-known composers, such as Josquin Desprez, Anton Bruckner, and Gabriel Fauré. And popular pieces, such as Bach's *Brandenburg Concertos*, Handel's *The Water Music*, and Elgar's *Enigma Variations*, are complemented by such less-familiar but outstanding compositions as the *Turangalila Symphony* by

Olivier Messiaen. Connoisseurs and die-hard listeners to "Sound Advice" will appreciate having Phillips's recommendations of specific recordings (and their catalogue numbers) between two covers at long last. And those who are just starting to explore the rich world of classical music will soon discover that Phillips is a guide they can trust.

Inside the Recording Studio Oct 10 2021 In *Inside the Recording Studio: Working with Callas, Rostropovich, Domingo, and the Classical Elite*, Andry recounts his experiences with these exceptional talents. He presents intimate portraits of brilliant artists juxtaposed with the dramatic changes occurring in the recording business during the transition from 78s to LPs, stereo sound, quadrophonic sound, audiocassettes, video, CDs, DVDs, and MP3s. A foreword by Placido Domingo and more than thirty photos of the artists are included, along with a discography of Peter Andry's recordings with the three labels. These memoirs will fascinate anyone interested in the classical music and recording industries.

**Recorded Classical Music** Aug 08 2021 1001 Classical Recordings You Must Hear Before You Die Mar 27 2023 A thick and informative guide to the world of classical music and its stunning recordings, complete with images from CD cases, concert halls, and of the musicians themselves.

**The Story Of Naxos** Mar 03 2021 In 1987, a budget classical record label was started in Hong Kong by Klaus Heymann, a German

businessman who loved classical music. Swiftly, it gained a world wide reputation for reliable new digital recordings of the classics at a remarkably low price. Despite opposition from the classical record establishment, it grew at a remarkable pace, and soon expanded into opera, early music, contemporary music and specialist repertoire so that it became appreciated by specialist collectors as well as the general music lover. It is now the leading provider of classical music and as an innovator in digital delivery. At the heart of Naxos is one man: Klaus Heymann. The combination of his broad knowledge of classical music and his acute business acumen has enabled him to build the most varied classical music label in the world, but also the most effective distribution network to ensure that his recordings are available everywhere. This fascinating story explains how it happened, how a one-time tennis coach in Frankfurt became a classical recording mogul in Hong Kong and how, at the age of 75, he still holds the reins as firmly as ever.

The Penguin Guide to Recorded Classical Music 2008 Oct 30 2020 This invaluable resource has remained the best and most successful guide to classical music for over 30 years. Fully revised (and digitally remastered) by its team of eminent authors and full of its trademark wit and passion, this Penguin Guide offers reviews of all the latest releases as well as the finest established recordings. Now published annually for the first time and revised for the download

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**Technology and Expressiveness in Recorded Classical Music** Apr 23 2020

**Note-Perfect** Nov 11 2021 When you play a recording, have you ever paused to think about what went into making of it? Rest assured: there is more here than meets the eye and ear. This book takes an irreverent behind-the-scenes look at the classical record business. The author draws on three decades in recording and broadcasting to tell the story of his own and other classical record labels. This amusing and informative memoir covers recording and editing techniques, and how albums are planned, made and marketed. So are broadcast programming, press reviews and awards in short, every facet of this fascinating industry. The pages of Note-Perfect are populated by

musical legends like Yehudi Menuhin, Jean-Pierre Rampal, Nicolas Slonimsky, Ernst Krenek and hundreds of other artists and composers. You will even meet unlikely personalities such as David Ben-Gurion and Arnold Toynbee, captured in sound for posterity.

[The Penguin Guide to Recorded Classical Music](#)  
Feb 20 2020

### **Performing Music in the Age of Recording**

Jan 13 2022 Listeners have enjoyed classical music recordings for more than a century, yet important issues about recorded performances have been little explored. What is the relationship between performance and recording? How are modern audiences affected by the trends set in motion by the recording era? What is the impact of recordings on the lives of musicians? In this wide-ranging book, Robert Philip extends the scope of his earlier pioneering book, "Early Recordings and Musical Style: Changing Tastes in Instrumental Performance 1900-1950." Philip here considers the interaction between music-making and recording throughout the entire twentieth century. The author compares the lives of musicians and audiences in the years before recordings with those of today. He examines such diverse and sometimes contentious topics as changing attitudes toward freedom of expression, the authority of recordings made by or approved by composers, the globalization of performing styles, and the rise of the period instrument movement. Philip concludes with a

thought-provoking discussion of the future of classical music performance.

[The Life and Death of Classical Music](#) Oct 22 2022 In this compulsively readable, fascinating, and provocative guide to classical music, Norman Lebrecht, one of the world's most widely read cultural commentators tells the story of the rise of the classical recording industry from Caruso's first notes to the heyday of Bernstein, Glenn Gould, Callas, and von Karajan. Lebrecht compellingly demonstrates that classical recording has reached its end point-but this is not simply an exposé of decline and fall. It is, for the first time, the full story of a minor art form, analyzing the cultural revolution wrought by Schnabel, Toscanini, Callas, Rattle, the Three Tenors, and Charlotte Church. It is the story of how stars were made and broken by the record business; how a war criminal conspired with a concentration-camp victim to create a record empire; and how advancing technology, boardroom wars, public credulity and unscrupulous exploitation shaped the musical backdrop to our modern lives. The book ends with a suitable shrine to classical recording: the author's critical selection of the 100 most important recordings-and the 20 most appalling. Filled with memorable incidents and unforgettable personalities-from Goddard Lieberson, legendary head of CBS Masterworks who signed his letters as God; to Georg Solti, who turned the Chicago Symphony into "the loudest symphony on earth"-this is at once the captivating story of the life and death of

classical recording and an opinionated, insider's guide to appreciating the genre, now and for years to come.

### **1,000 Recordings to Hear Before You Die**

Apr 04 2021 The musical adventure of a lifetime. The most exciting book on music in years. A book of treasure, a book of discovery, a book to open your ears to new worlds of pleasure. Doing for music what Patricia Schultz—author of the phenomenal 1,000 Places to See Before You Die—does for travel, Tom Moon recommends 1,000 recordings guaranteed to give listeners the joy, the mystery, the revelation, the sheer fun of great music. This is a book both broad and deep, drawing from the diverse worlds of classical, jazz, rock, pop, blues, country, folk, musicals, hip-hop, world, opera, soundtracks, and more. It's arranged alphabetically by artist to create the kind of unexpected juxtapositions that break down genre bias and broaden listeners' horizons— it makes every listener a seeker, actively pursuing new artists and new sounds, and reconfirming the greatness of the classics. Flanking J. S. Bach and his six entries, for example, are the little-known R&B singer Baby Huey and the '80s Rastafarian hard-core punk band Bad Brains. Farther down the list: The Band, Samuel Barber, Cecelia Bartoli, Count Basie, and Afropop star Waldemar Bastos. Each entry is passionately written, with expert listening notes, fascinating anecdotes, and the occasional perfect quote—"Your collection could be filled with nothing but music from Ray

Charles," said Tom Waits, "and you'd have a completely balanced diet." Every entry identifies key tracks, additional works by the artist, and where to go next. And in the back, indexes and playlists for different moods and occasions.

The Penguin Guide to the 1000 Finest Classical Recordings Feb 26 2023 INDEPENDENT BOOKS OF THE YEAR This completely new edition of the Penguin Guide reviews the 1000 best classical albums issued and reissued over the past five decades, many of which dominate the catalogue because of their sheer excellence, irrespective of recording dates. More comprehensive than ever before, it indicates key recordings on CD, DVD and enhanced SACD, including those in surround sound. If you want the finest available version of any major classical album you will find it listed and assessed in these pages. Ranging from long-established albums to the newest releases, the latest edition represents the cream of the international repertoire and has all the information you need to select the finest classical music available.

**Classical Recording** Jan 25 2023 Classical Recording: A Practical Guide in the Decca Tradition is the authoritative guide to all aspects of recording acoustic classical music. Offering detailed descriptions, diagrams, and photographs of fundamental recording techniques such as the Decca tree, this book offers a comprehensive overview of the essential skills involved in successfully

producing a classical recording. Written by engineers with years of experience working for Decca and Abbey Road Studios and as freelancers, *Classical Recording* equips the student, the interested amateur, and the practising professional with the required knowledge and confidence to tackle everything from solo piano to opera.

The Record Guide Jan 21 2020

**The Classical Musician's Recording Handbook** Mar 15 2022 From recording a single violin to a whole orchestra, Andrew Halifax reveals the techniques and secret knowledge of professional producers. The handbook covers live recording, studio techniques, equipment, microphone placement, recording techniques and even the sampling of classical instruments. As relevant for the classical musician as the modern pop producer, the book also reveals how to effectively arrange and mix an orchestral arrangement, use the new range of software strong samplers and master the final recordings for commercial release.

A Basic Classical and Operatic Recordings Collection on Compact Discs for Libraries Feb 14 2022 Lists classical and operatic recordings that are specifically available in the new (and desirable) compact disc format. Individual titles are graded for their appropriateness to specific types and sizes of libraries. The main portion covers some 160 composers whose works are important in constituting a nuclear library collection of "serious" music. There are over

1,200 titles included and individually numbered (and fully cross-referenced) and graded. For numerous works, two or more performances are cited in order to provide the librarian with greater choices; monophonic works are specifically indicated. Many of the works are annotated. Annotation copyrighted by Book News, Inc., Portland, OR

*The NPR Guide to Building a Classical CD Collection* Dec 12 2021 An update and revised guide by the host of National Public Radio's Performance Today recommends the best recordings of the three hundred most important classical works, and provides background information on each composer. Original.

*Guinness Classical 1000* May 17 2022

*Classical Classics* May 05 2021 Classical Classics is a compilation of CD reviews and fascinating facts relating to the composers and musicians on those CDs. This book does not spend any time on lesser recordings, but you really don't need that information anyway. What you want to know is, "What's the best music available and who made the best recording of that music?" Those are the questions Classical Classics answers, and it does so for over 120 albums. In simple, understandable language this book will tell you which recordings are the best and why they are. In addition, you'll get some captivating information about the composers and musicians on those recordings, as well as the stories behind the music itself. To top it off, Classical Classics includes several irreverent yet

accurate biographies of some of history's great composers. If you're lucky enough to have your classical music collection completed, you'll still want this book for the intriguing details it provides involving each composer, musician, conductor, and orchestra. Let's face facts, these are some of the most brilliant and unconventional characters in history; some of their accomplishments and quirks are incredible. On that level, Classical Classics reads like a novel. As a reference for buying CDs, this book could become your Bible. Whether you're a longtime classical aficionado or a relative tyro, or whether you have a doctorate in music or don't know a

quarter-note from a quarter-horse, Classical Classics will clear up all the fog when it comes to buying classical CDs. Along with reliable CD recommendations, Classical Classics provides you the stories behind the music, the composers, and the people who made the recordings. For example, you'll read about:—The legends behind the Moonlight Sonata.—The world-class conductor who hated to conduct.—The pianist who absentmindedly hummed along while playing...in the recording studio!—The pianist who got up off his deathbed to perform a final recital.—The composer who would agonize for years before releasing a composition. —The composer who loved to compose but hated writing down the

music.—The composer who could compose one movement in his head while writing down another.—The composer who wrote 80 years worth of music but only lived to age 65.—The composer who wrote over 2,000 major pieces.—The composer who wrote a set of pieces, one in every conceivable key, sharp/flat, and major/minor combination.—The orchestra who recorded an average of an album a week for 40 years.—The orchestra who recorded classical music as well as some written by Jimi Hendrix. Classical Classics is the book for starting or expanding your classical music library, or for expanding your knowledge of classical music in general.