



## Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart

### BIOGRAPHY

Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart was born in Austria in 1756. His parents, Anna and Leopold, were well-respected in their community. Life was not without difficulty, though. Anna and Leopold had 7 children, but Mozart and his sister Maria Anna were the only ones who reached adulthood.

It's no surprise that Mozart became a talented musician and composer. His father was a composer and a teacher; he was known for writing an important book about teaching violin. Mozart was taught from a very young age, and his musical quickly amazed the adults around him. Word spread, and he played at the royal court by the age of 6.

Mozart began composing as a young adult. He soon found a patron in Salzburg. In his day, patrons were members of the royalty who would choose artists they liked and pay them to make more music. Mozart would compose most of his music in the service of patrons.

By the time he reached his early 20's, Mozart's relationship with his father was breaking apart. To make matters worse, he had left Salzburg and was struggling in Paris. His mother, who had come with him to Paris, fell ill and passed away.

It wasn't until he returned to Austria that Mozart's situation improved. Slowly, over the next two decades, he composed many great works and enjoyed the love of the entire music world. There were few types of music he wouldn't try, and even fewer that he did not master. In Vienna, he met and married Constanze Weber, with whom he had 6 children. He continued to compose right up until his death in 1791.

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