

Johannes Brahms

(Pronounced *Brahms*)



Born in Hamburg, Germany, in 1833. His father, who gave him the first music lesson, played Bass-violin in the City theatre.

Recognized as one of the greatest masters. Schumann wrote praising him when he was twenty years old.

A model of patience, he worked ten years, off and on, in writing his first symphony, which was performed in 1877.

His choral works rank with Bach and Beethoven. He also wrote many cantatas, songs and piano pieces.

Mingling with the simple people of his country, he learned their quaint customs, their folk-songs and dance-rhythms. These he used freely in his compositions.

Successful in the handling of his business affairs, he lived to be sixty-four years old. He died in 1897.

Theme from Lullaby arranged from the song



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