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CLASSICAL MUSIC IN 2024

The year in statistics

16,328
CONCERTS

8,659
OPERA

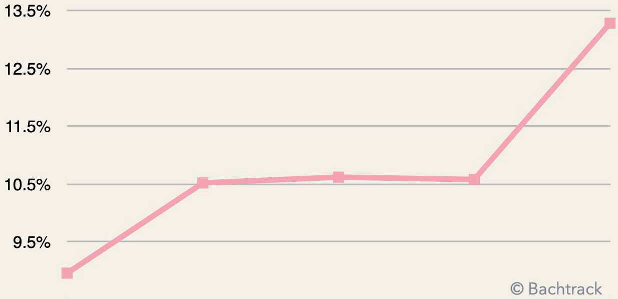
5,787
DANCE

In 2024 Bachtrack listed **30,774** concerts, opera and dance performances.

THE ANNIVERSARY EFFECT

Rise of performances of music by anniversary composers

Puccini: proportion of all opera performances
(Centenary of his death)



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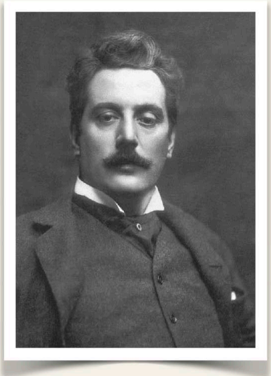
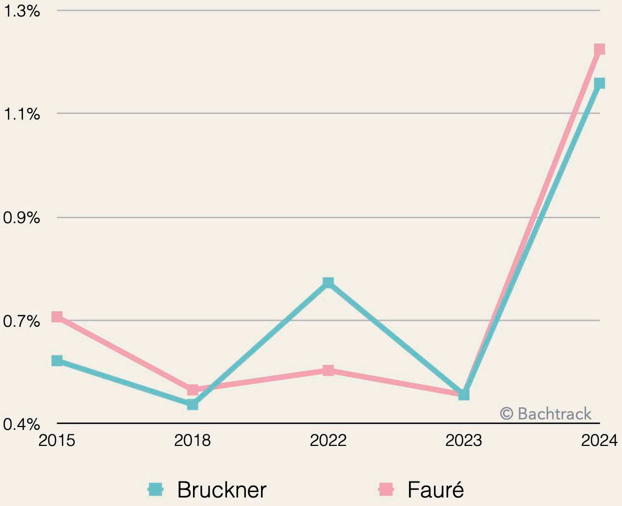


Puccini was the most performed opera composer in 2024 with 3 of his works in the top 10.

Bruckner and Fauré: proportion of all concert performances
(Bicentenary of Bruckner's birth, centenary of Fauré's death)

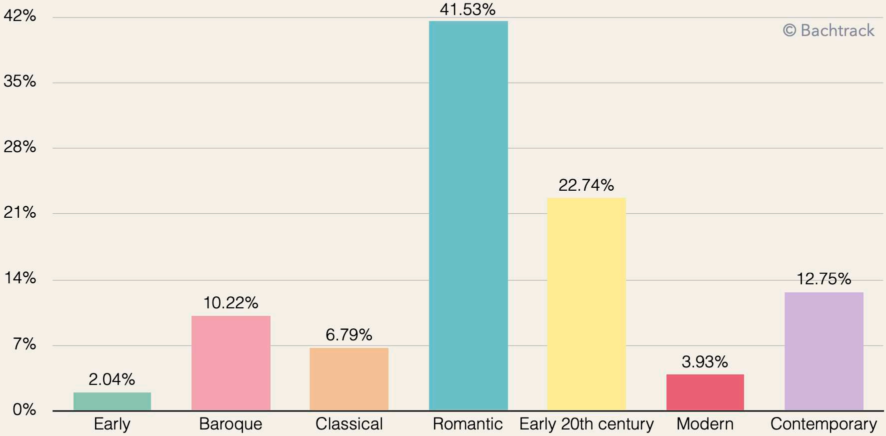


Bruckner's most performed work was his Symphony no.7.

Fauré's most performed work was his Requiem.

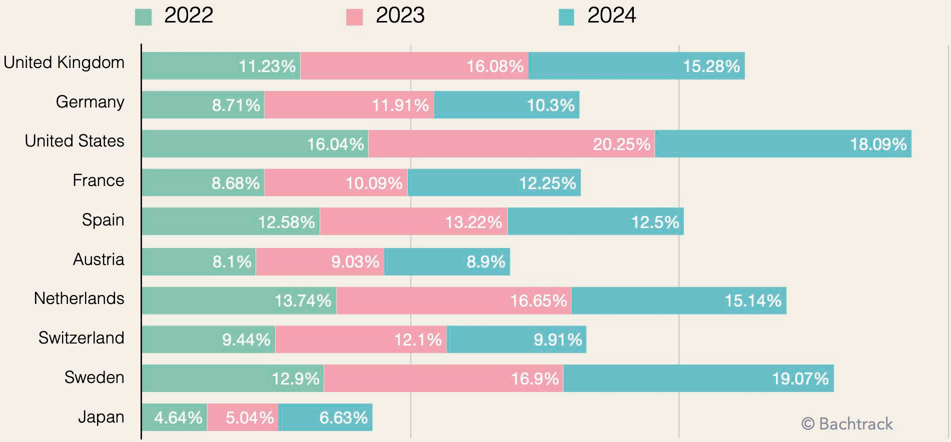
CONCERT PERFORMANCES

Percentage of performed concert music by period



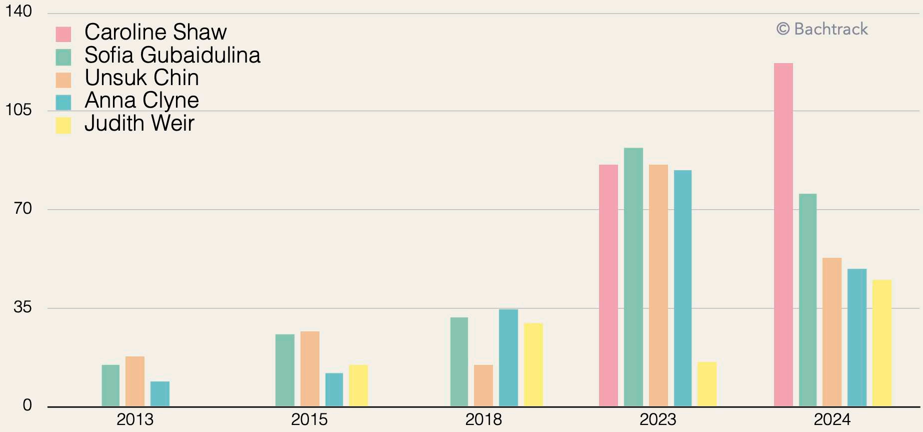
CONTEMPORARY MUSIC

Percentage of contemporary music performed by country

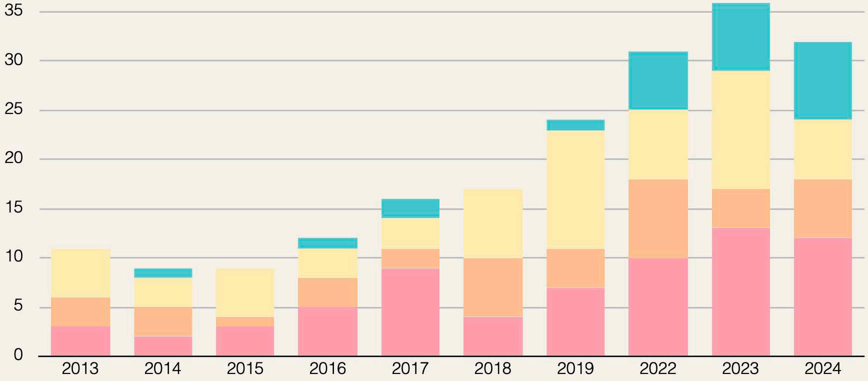


CONTEMPORARY WOMEN COMPOSERS

Number of performances of works by the top 5 living women composers

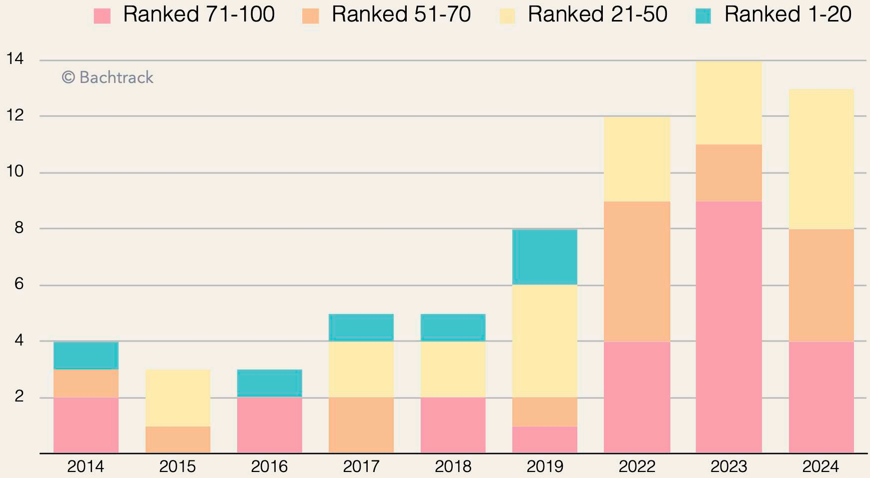


Number of women in the top 100 most performed living composers

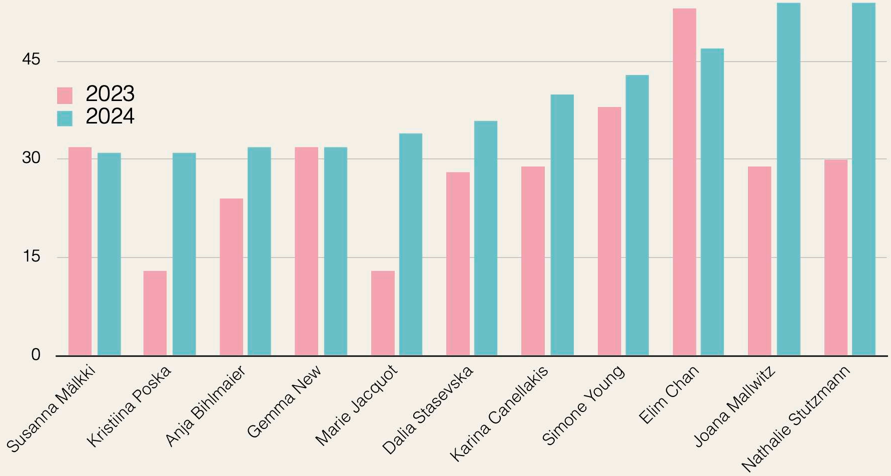


WOMEN CONDUCTORS

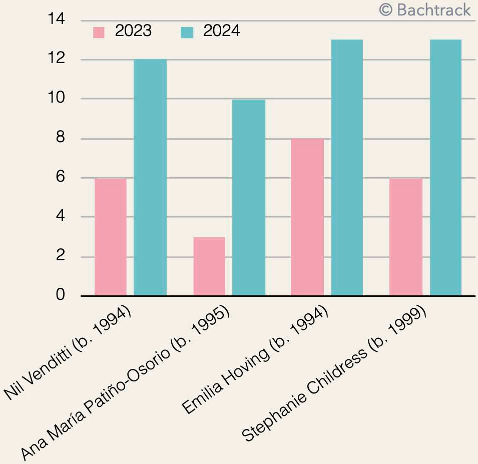
Number of women in top 100 busiest conductors
(concerts)



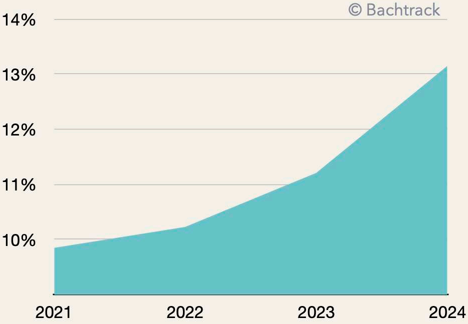
Number of performances by the top 10 women conductors



Increasing engagements for young women conductors

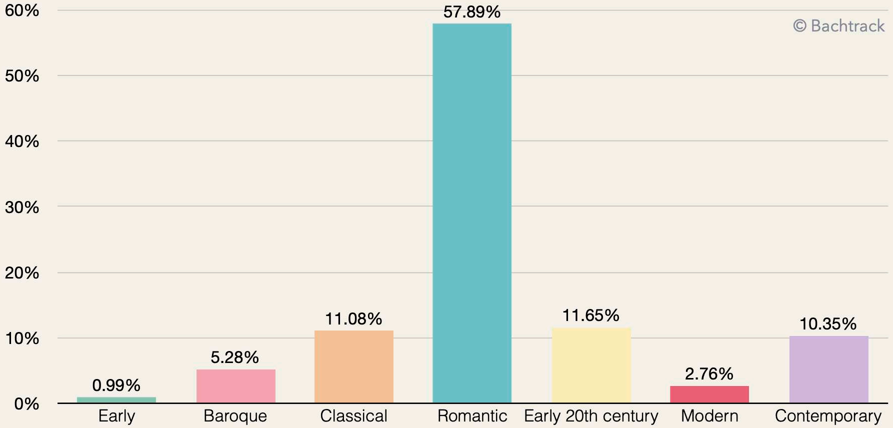


Percentage of concerts conducted by women conductors



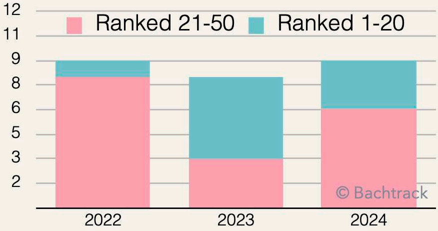
OPERA

Percentage of operas performed by period

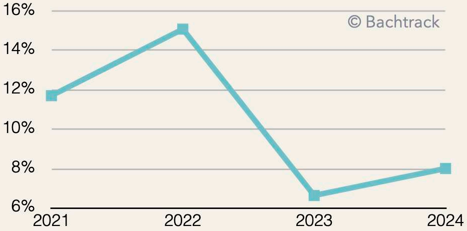


DANCE

Number of women in top 50 busiest living choreographers



Percentage of performances of Tchaikovsky's *The Nutcracker*



TOP COMPOSERS

Most performed composers
(concert music)

1. **Mozart**, W.A.
2. **Beethoven**, Ludwig van
3. **Bach**, Johann Sebastian
4. **Brahms**, Johannes
5. **Schubert**, Franz
6. **Chopin**, Fryderyk Franciszek
7. **Schumann**, Robert
8. **Tchaikovsky**, Pyotr Ilyich
9. **Ravel**, Maurice
10. **Dvořák**, Antonín

Most performed living composers

1. **Williams**, John
2. **Pärt**, Arvo
3. **Glass**, Philip
4. **Shaw**, Caroline
5. **Adams**, John
6. **Widmann**, Jörg
7. **MacMillan**, Sir James
8. **Adès**, Thomas
9. **Reich**, Steve
10. **Gubaidulina**, Sofia

BUSIEST CONCERT PERFORMERS

Top 10 conductors

1. Klaus Mäkelä
2. Andris Nelsons
3. Jakub Hrůša
4. Iván Fischer
5. Manfred Honeck
=6 Paavo Järvi
=6 Sir Simon Rattle
=8 Esa-Pekka Salonen
=8 Cristian Măcelaru
10. Daniel Harding

Top 10 orchestras

1. Toronto Symphony Orchestra
2. Berliner Philharmoniker
3. New York Philharmonic
4. Chicago Symphony Orchestra
5. Wiener Philharmoniker
=6 Boston Symphony Orchestra
=6 Wiener Symphoniker
8. Royal Concertgebouw Orchestra
9. San Francisco Symphony
10. Leipzig Gewandhaus Orchestra

Top 10 pianists

1. Daniil Trifonov
2. Yuja Wang
3. Alexandre Kantorow
4. Kirill Gerstein
5. Seong-Jin Cho
6. Yefim Bronfman
7. Víkingur Ólafsson
8. Jan Lisiecki
9. Emanuel Ax
10. Leif Ove Andsnes

Top 10 violinists

1. Augustin Hadelich
2. Renaud Capuçon
3. Isabelle Faust
4. Lisa Batiashvili
5. Patricia Kopatchinskaja
6. Joshua Bell
7. Leonidas Kavakos
=8 María Dueñas
=8 Frank Peter Zimmermann
=8 Hilary Hahn

Top 10 cellists

1. Sheku Kanneh-Mason
2. Gautier Capuçon
3. Sol Gabetta
4. Nicolas Altstaedt
5. Julia Hagen
6. Steven Isserlis
7. Kian Soltani
8. Pablo Ferrández
9. Jean-Guihen Queyras
10. Alisa Weilerstein

TOP CONCERT WORKS

Most performed concert works

1. **Dvořák**, *Symphony no. 9 in E minor, "From the New World"*
2. **Beethoven**, *Piano Concerto no. 5 in E flat major "Emperor"*
3. **Beethoven**, *Symphony no. 7 in A major*
=4 **Brahms**, *Symphony no. 1 in C minor*
=4 **Beethoven**, *Symphony no. 3 in E flat major "Eroica"*
6. **Mahler**, *Symphony no. 5 in C sharp minor*
7. **Vivaldi**, *The Four Seasons*
8. **Handel**, *Messiah*
9. **Brahms**, *Symphony no. 4 in E minor*
10. **Brahms**, *Violin Concerto in D major*

Most performed contemporary works

1. **Shaw**, *Entr'acte*
2. **Pärt**, *Fratres*
=3 **Márquez**, *Danzón no. 2*
=3 **Chin**, *subito con forza*
=3 **Pärt**, *Spiegel im Spiegel*
=3 **Gubaidulina**, *Fairytale Poem*
7. **Pärt**, *Da pacem Domine*
=8 **Williams**, *Film music from Jurassic Park*
=8 **Pärt**, *Cantus in memoriam Benjamin Britten*
=8 **Williams**, *Film music from Schindler's List*
=8 **Williams**, *Film music from Star Wars*

TOP CONCERTOS

Most performed Piano Concertos

1. **Beethoven**, *Piano Concerto no. 5*
2. **Mozart**, *Piano Concerto no. 20*
3. **Beethoven**, *Piano Concerto no. 3*

Most performed Violin Concertos

1. **Brahms**, *Violin Concerto in D*
2. **Mendelssohn**, *Violin Concerto in E minor*
3. **Beethoven**, *Violin Concerto in D*

4. **Rachmaninov**, *Piano Concerto no. 2*
5. **Ravel**, *Piano Concerto in G major*
6. **Beethoven**, *Piano Concerto no. 4*
7. **Rachmaninov**, *Piano Concerto no. 3*
8. **R. Schumann**, *Piano Concerto in A minor*
9. **Grieg**, *Piano Concerto in A minor*
10. **Tchaikovsky**, *Piano Concerto no. 1*

4. **Sibelius**, *Violin Concerto in D minor*
5. **Tchaikovsky,** *Violin Concerto in D major*

Top 3 Cello Concertos

1. **Dvořák**, *Cello Concerto in B minor*
2. **Elgar**, *Cello Concerto in E minor*
3. **R. Schumann**, *Cello Concerto in A minor*

OPERA

Most performed opera composers

1. **Puccini**, Giacomo
2. **Verdi**, Giuseppe
3. **Mozart**, Wolfgang Amadeus
4. **Wagner**, Richard
5. **Rossini**, Gioachino
6. **Bizet**, Georges
7. **Donizetti**, Gaetano
8. **Strauss**, Richard
9. **Handel**, Georg Frideric
10. **Tchaikovsky**, Pyotr Ilyich

Most performed operas

1. **Mozart**, *Die Zauberflöte*
2. **Bizet**, *Carmen*
3. **Puccini**, *Madama Butterfly*
4. **Verdi,** *La traviata*
5. **Puccini,** *Tosca*
6. **Puccini**, *La bohème*
7. **Puccini**, *Turandot*
8. **Mozart**, *Don Giovanni*
9. **Mozart**, Le nozze di Figaro
10. **Rossini**, *Il barbiere di Siviglia*

DANCE

Most performed ballet/dance works

1. **Tchaikovsky**, *The Nutcracker*
2. **Tchaikovsky**, *Swan Lake*
3. **Prokofiev**, *Romeo and Juliet*
4. **Prokofiev**, *Cinderella*
5. **Tchaikovsky**, *The Sleeping Beauty*
6. **Adam**, *Giselle*
7. **Talbot**, *Alice's Adventures in Wonderland*
8. **Minkus**, *Don Quixote*
9. **Karlsson**, *Forever*
10. **Mendelssohn**, *A Midsummer Night's Dream*

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