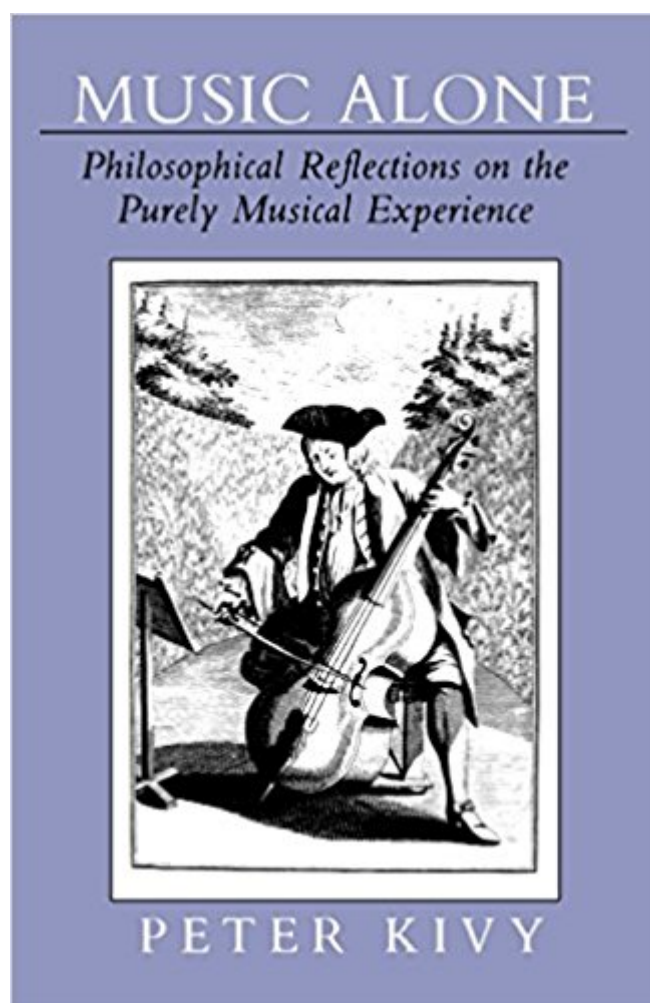


The book was found

Music Alone: Philosophical Reflections On The Purely Musical Experience



Synopsis

What makes a musical work profound? What is it about pure instrumental music that the listener finds attractive and rewarding? In addressing these questions, Peter Kivy continues his highly regarded exploration of the philosophy of musical aesthetics. He considers here what he believes to be the most difficult subject of all— "just plain music; music unaccompanied by text, title, subject, program, or plot; in other words, music alone."

Book Information

Paperback: 240 pages

Publisher: Cornell University Press (May 23, 1991)

Language: English

ISBN-10: 0801499607

ISBN-13: 978-0801499609

Product Dimensions: 5.4 x 0.6 x 8.5 inches

Shipping Weight: 8.8 ounces (View shipping rates and policies)

Average Customer Review: 5.0 out of 5 stars 1 customer review

Best Sellers Rank: #117,160 in Books (See Top 100 in Books) #82 in Books > Politics & Social Sciences > Philosophy > Aesthetics #112 in Books > Arts & Photography > Music > Theory, Composition & Performance > Appreciation #260 in Books > Arts & Photography > Music > History & Criticism

Customer Reviews

I am surprised to be the first reviewer on this. I wanted to understand why certain music moves me so (Beethoven and Bach particularly). I wanted something beyond "program notes", and that means (I came to learn) musicology and especially philosophy of music. The search led me to some pretty turgid, academic, unreadable (to a non-academic like myself) texts, including books by this author, who is an academic. But this book is very good so far; I am about halfway through. The writing is accessible but deep, and explanatory without being reductionist. Reductionist would for example be "explaining" by employing neuroanatomy in a restatement of the problem as if that were an explanation, the way a physician will sometimes pronounce a diagnosis that is simply your symptoms restated in Latin. Kivy asks what it means to "understand" music, and I am finding his exploration of this to be very helpful to me.

[Download to continue reading...](#)

Music Alone: Philosophical Reflections on the Purely Musical Experience Eating Purely: More Than 100 All-Natural, Organic, Gluten-Free Recipes for a Healthy Life Purely Primitive Dolls: How to Make Simple, Old-Fashioned Dolls Purely Primitive: Hooked Rugs from Wool, Yarn, and Homespun Scraps Philosophical Papers: Volume I (Philosophical Papers (Oxford)) Philosophical And Theoretical Perspectives For Advanced Nursing Practice (Cody, Philosophical and Theoretical Perspectives for Advances Nursing Practice) Six Philosophical Works: A Priori Knowledge; Analytic vs. Formal Truth; Kant's Ethics; Philosophical Knowledge; What Is an Intention?; The Plan: The Complete Series Richard Strauss's Orchestral Music and the German Intellectual Tradition: The Philosophical Roots of Musical Modernism The Last Lion: Winston Spencer Churchill, Volume II: Alone, 1932-1940: Winston Spencer Churchill, Volume II: Alone, 1932-1940 Honor Bound & Two Alone: Honor Bound, Two Alone The Jewish Experience of Time: Philosophical Dimensions of the Jewish Holy Days A Widow's Journey: Reflections on Walking Alone African American Music: A Philosophical Look at African American Music in Society I Love Music: All About Musical Instruments Then and Now: Music Instruments for Kids (Children's Music Books) Blank Sheet Music - 12 Staves: Blank Sheet Music Paper / Music Sheet Music / Sheet Music Notebook (Volume 59) Blank Piano Sheet Music : (8.5 by 11) Large Print - Music Manuscript Notebook - (Composition Books - Music Manuscript Paper - Piano Sheet Music) Blank ... For Piano 104 Pages Vol.9: Blank Sheet Music Blank Sheet Music - 12 Staves: Blank Sheet Music Paper / Music Sheet Music / Sheet Music Notebook - Vintage / Aged Cover (Volume 6) Bow Down, God Alone Can Say to Me: A Musical Drama for Youth Daily Reflections: A Book of Reflections by A.A. Members for A.A. Members Advent and Christmas Reflections (Catholic Daily Reflections Series Book 1)

[Contact Us](#)

[DMCA](#)

[Privacy](#)

[FAQ & Help](#)