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Key words: music education; intellectual resources; brain; communication skills.

The Art of Performance

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Key words: piano; performing arts; facial expressions and gestures of a pianist.

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Key words: Plato; antique philosophy; the art of music.

Pages from the History of Opera

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Key words: Tommaso Traetta; 'Sofonisba'; 'Antigona'; opera-seria; opera reform.

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Key words: A.B. Marx; N.I. Zarembo; P.I. Tchaikovsky; music theory studies; musical form; harmony; counterpoint; St. Petersburg and Moscow conservatory.

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Key words: arts administration; arts; management theory.

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