

# Hector Berlioz

## Quotes

*Music, Ideas, Powerful, Men, Enough, Religious, Wings, Heart, Art, Inspiration,  
Should, Running, And Love, Dream, Vehemence, Inspire, Talent, Masters,  
Friendship, Death*

Time is a great teacher, but unfortunately it kills all its pupils.

~Hector Berlioz

Music and love are the wings of the soul.

~Hector Berlioz

Love cannot express the idea of music, while music may give an idea of love

~Hector Berlioz

It is not enough that the artist should be well prepared for the public. The public must be well prepared for what it is going to hear.

~Hector Berlioz

To render my works properly requires a combination of extreme precision and irresistible verve, a regulated vehemence, a dreamy tenderness, and an almost morbid melancholy.

~Hector Berlioz

The luck of having talent is not enough; one must also have a talent for luck.

~Hector Berlioz

Only by pairing knowledge with inspiration will art evolve. Without these conditions any musician will remain a flawed artist, if one may speak of an artist at all.

~Hector Berlioz

Every composer knows the anguish and despair occasioned by forgetting ideas which one had no time to write down.

~Hector Berlioz

At least I have the modesty to admit that lack of modesty is one of my failings.

~Hector Berlioz

**Bach is Bach just as God is God.**

~Hector Berlioz

**Time, time - that is our greatest master! Alas, like Ugolino, time devours its own children.**

~Hector Berlioz

**Heine commenting on the music of Louis Hector Berlioz: He is an immense nightingale, a lark as great as an eagle. . . . The music causes me to dream of fabulous empires, filled with fabulous sins.**

~Hector Berlioz

**If men of genius only knew what love their works inspire!**

~Hector Berlioz

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