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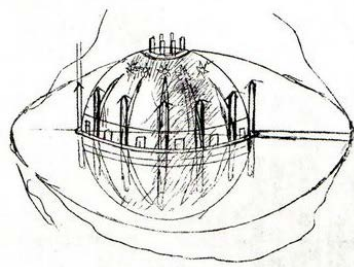
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Music and Ideal



Vladimir Ashkenazy on Skryabin:

"I consider Skryabin as one of the greatest composers. . . . His music has an unique idealism. . . . The basis of his thinking was an indestructible faith and confidence in Art as a mean to elevate the mind of man and to show light, goodness and truth. Although one cannot say that one can't understand the music without an understanding of his philosophy, one penetrates deeper into his music as one studies what Skryabin inspired. One can- not see the man as a philosopher apart from the composer of such beautiful music."



mystical chord

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Alexander Skryabin (1872-1915)

The Russian composer Alexander Nikolayevich Skryabin (1872-1915) has mainly gained prominence during his life as a brilliant pianist / performer of his own works and as remarkable inventor of the so-called light color organ or color keyboard.

His premature death caused most of his compositions to be dedicated to the piano. The early works of Skryabin's oeuvre are still under the influence of Chopin, but gradually it developed in a very wayward direction, an intuitive idiom that anticipated both the Second Viennese School (Berg, Schoenberg, Webern) and later directions (Ligeti, Messiaen, Stockhausen). This combination made Skryabin one of the most progressive European composers during the twentieth turn of the century. His list of works contains some 74 opus numbers, including 7 orchestral pieces.



When 24-year-old wrote Skryabin in 4 days his Piano Concerto in F sharp minor, Opus 20 Orchestration followed a year later

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Objectives

In cooperation with mentioned institutions of the European Cooperation Committee, the European Skryabin Society seeks to achieve giving a wider recognition of the oeuvre of the Russian composer Alexander Nikolayevich Skryabin (January 6, 1872 - April 27, 1915), as well as broadening the attention for the cultural backgrounds, place and time, in which he lived and worked. For this purpose readings, lectures, concerts, festivals etc. are organized and a bulletin issued. All of this in order to promote studies on Skryabin and his epoch.

Skryabin's color keyboard

