

# Music for Listeners: Sergei Prokofiev



*Music for Listeners* is a series of short courses for high school students and adults presenting the works of composers from a listening enjoyment rather than a music theory perspective. Our first course in 2024 will feature the life and music of Sergei Prokofiev, presented chronologically. The Prokofiev course will be taught by lifelong classical music enthusiast David Oesper and consists of six weekly 90-minute in-person classes.

The Prokofiev course will be offered on six consecutive Saturdays, 1:00 - 2:30 p.m., at the Ellie Towne Flowing Wells Community Center, 1660 W. Ruthrauff Rd., beginning January 6, 2024. If you are interested in attending or for more information, please contact the instructor at [doesper@icloud.com](mailto:doesper@icloud.com).

Class 1, January 6

1891-1917 Ukraine to St. Petersburg

Class 2, January 13

1918-1926 Travels Abroad, Marriage, and Paris

Class 3, January 20

1927-1937 More Travels and Move to Moscow

Class 4, January 27

1938-1943 Final Tour Abroad, Nazi Invasion, Evacuation from Moscow

Class 5, February 3

1944-1950 Second Marriage, the Zhdanov Decree, and Declining Health

Class 6, February 10

1951-1953 Final Years