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**GET TO KNOW** 

## Claude Debussy



FRENCH COMPOSER OF THE 20<sup>TH</sup> CENTURY

**BORN** August 22, 1862 near Paris France

**DIED** March 25, 1918 in Paris

## **FAMOUS WORKS INCLUDE:**

Claire de Lune, 1890 Prélude à l'après-midi d'un faune, 1894 Nocturnes for Orchestra, 1899 La mer, 1905 Two sets of piano Préludes, 1910 and 1913 Images, 1912 Jeux, 1913



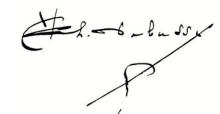
## **INTERESTING FACTS:**

Debussy did not come from a musical family, but found he was a talented pianist around his  $10^{\rm th}$  birthday.

In 1872 he enrolled in the world-famous Paris Conservatory of Music. While very talented, he was not an ideal student. Often skipping classes, and refusing to follow the rules of composing that his teachers insisted he follow.

Debussy insisted that his La Mer was NOT a symphony. Even though it contains three symphonic movements. Debussy preferred to call it a set of "symphonic sketches."





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