



*The Spiritual Significance Of Music*

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Being the most abstract of all art forms, music has an amazing power to touch our deepest human emotions. It influences our memory and sense of time as it makes us remember places, faces, and events and forget for how long we are listening to a musical piece, and on our bodies we find ourselves moving to the sound of music without noticing it. Music has the power to connect between people by crossing borders created by mankind, be it language or cultural differences, and by that music makes us better human beings. It's the same unexplained phenomenon that allows hundreds of people from different backgrounds who had never met to go through a very similar emotional experience, while sitting in a concert hall, and that for me is the highest spiritual value of music. It's the emotional ground music creates for making powerful spiritual connections between people, be it musicians or listeners, and the amazing vessel-like feeling it invokes, connecting us to that incomprehensible energy that helps us bond to our inner, truer selves. Being an improvising musician, creating music allows me to better understand other people as it teaches me to be more open to others' ideas and feelings, and by that helping me to purify my own emotions, thoughts, and my sense of self. It's the projection and reception of love that creating music generates, that's what makes music so very spiritual for me.



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