

## Mysterious Composers

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Do you know why all of the composers are boys? Here is the story.

One day a girl named Mary was sitting on her bench writing music. Next, she went to publish her music. They said it is fantastic music, and Mary became famous.

One day she was in her room and a dazzling flash appeared in the dark. After that she was no longer in her room, she was in a big room in a big castle. The room was full of composers. All of the other composers were boys, but she felt that something was wrong with them because half of them were looking kind of sad.

“What’s wrong?” said Mary. “Don’t you see, we are boys!” the sad composers responded.

“And what?” asked Mary.

“We are not supposed to be boys, we are girls.”

“Oohhh...,” said Mary. “May you all hit your head, because you look like boys.”

The composers turned and bowed. Mary also turned around and saw a king on a throne staring at her. She froze on this cold look, then she bowed very quickly and then she wanted to leave. But she couldn’t because the guards were there. Then king said that she could go but instead of “she” he said “he”. Mary didn’t understand why he said “he” but still she went out of the room.

Next, she saw a man in the hallway. He said that he is a wizard and the king is the king of composers. So, Mary asked, “Why did the king say “he” to her?” The wizard said, “That is because some of the composers are girls, but they are turned to boys so like you. They are very sad about it.”

Mary asked if wizard can turn them all back to girls. He said, “No.”

“But why?” cried Mary.

“Because I tried but I could not break this curse. Then after me the girls turned to boys also tried but they could not do it.”

Mary was sad and mad. She thought of her music and how she was proud of it. She wanted to hear her music. Mary asked the wizard, “Do you have a flute?” “I don’t, but I can use my magic to make one. I am a wizard!” After that he waved his wand, there was a flash, and then in Mary’s hand was a sparkling pink flute. Next, she started her music and when she played the most beautiful melody in it there was a dazzling flash of gold light! After that she turned back to a girl! She ran in the room and saw half of boys turned to girls. The wizard said, “You did it! You broke the curse! Because you believed in yourself!” Then everyone was happy and amazed.

Now you know why all of the composers were boys. But soon you will know a lot of famous girl composers.