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FRENCH MINISTER OF CULTURE AZOULAY GIVES TRIBUTE TO EINOJUHANİ RAUTAVARAA

FINISH COMPOSER DIED ON JULY 27

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Rautavaara wrote a great number of works spanning various styles. Having written early works using 12-tone serial techniques, his later music may be described as neo-romantic and mystical. His major works include Cantus Arcticus and Symphony No. 7 "Angel of Light".

Finnish composer in modern language, Einojuhani Rautavaara, Sibelius spotted by the master in the mid 50s, explored all styles, and instilled in his music a Nordic neo-romanticism that shines especially in his eight symphonies or operas. Explorer of sound and birdsong, like a Olivier Messiaen, he captured the essence tape to compose in 1972, the famous Cantus Arcticus, Concerto for Birds and Orchestra. He was a charismatic teacher, he was the master of the great names of Finnish music today composers Magnus Lindberg and Esa-Pekka Salonen.

Rautavaara was a prolific composer and wrote in a variety of forms and styles. His opus can be broadly divided into four periods: early " neoclassical" period of the 1950s, exhibiting close ties to tradition; avant-garde and constructivist stage of the 1960s, where he experimented with serial techniques, but abandoned them in the 1960s; "neo-romantic" period of the late 1960s and the 1970s; it gradually blended into an eclectic, "post-modern" compositional style where he blended a wide spectrum of stylistic techniques and genres.[5][6] A recurring label given to his opus is "mysticism", for his fascination with metaphysical and religious subjects and texts.[5][6][1] (Several of his works have titles which allude to angels.-----

His compositions include eight symphonies, 14 concertos, choral works (several for unaccompanied choir, including Vigilia (1971""1972)), sonatas for various instruments, string quartets and other chamber music, and a number of biographical operas including Vincent (1986""1987, based on the life of Vincent van Gogh), Aleksis Kivi. He now rests in peace closer to his angels allusion in his compositions.

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