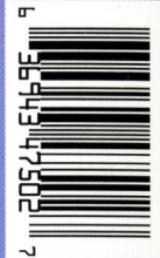


A composer of importance in the development of the symphony in France, Gossec subsequently provided music for the French revolutionary régimes. With its novel instrumental effects, Gossec's *Requiem*, written in 1760 and published twenty years later, was an influential precursor of the later *Requiem* by Berlioz. The seventeen-part *Symphonie* was completed in 1809, but reflects the tendencies of the 1790s.

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