

A universal language for people – music critical analysis

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Just like most people, even Native Americans are fond of music. Music has been a universal language to people of different races or even to the different faces in the world. Music has been used centuries before in rituals, chants and dances. For the Native Americans music plays a vital role in shaping their history, as this is very important to their culture as a part of the ceremonies and customs that is led to their generation. The type of music that Native American tribes vary, it is dependent on their preferences and the music which represents their tribes. Gender plays an important role in their music, traditions reflect their kind of music and it greatly influences their preferences.

American Indians music is a platonic type wherein it is basically the homogenous in terms of rhythm and style. It is composed of a tune that is predicted to their sense of culture. It is somehow their way of communicating is deeply rooted as their means of understanding themselves. Unlike most people the music that they choose are more on the basis of their product something that is heard only by them. Nowadays different people have similarities in music preferences and is mostly influenced by one or the other, whether it be jazz, rock or pop.

The type of music that most native Americans listen are monophonic, which is sung with octaves by both men and women, the lyrics that are used are different yet the melody is still the same. Their type of music are usually the ones making unusual melodies and sounds in it but what's important is the story that these melodies tell. The natives' music pitches are high and are in random and is mostly accommodated by flute. This preference still varies

from each tribe because of the cultural differences and practices that each tribe has.

Although these natives type of music are still intact and preserve, their traditional songs are also influenced and integrate with the modern type of music that we have now. Natives also consider the modern music as a good music because of the influence by the other cultures like Europeans and the white Americans. They are also engaged in music such as rock, pop, alternative and love songs that we hear nowadays, through their integration of the cultures of others in order to adapt to the changes.

Teenagers of the natives are listening to hip hops and other new genres of music nowadays. They find these music a way of appreciating the type of environment that they are in and in some cases because this is what most people listen to as to a bandwagon thing. Their appreciation to the new genres of music is mainly because of the societal role it plays on their tribes or culture.

The Natives although appreciate the modern type of music has somehow managed to still practice and preserve the type of music that they have. Their traditional songs that are still handed down to the following generation, ceremonial type of music is still practiced and are still used in curing the sick. They have their own types of love songs that although have some influence from the modern genres is somehow still reflective on the type of culture and practices they have. It is amazing that despite these changes that we have

now, they still manage to practice their music even if without any music record or recording artist to make a hit.

Music has not only been a form of entertainment but it has been a way of symbolizing an individual's confinement. Every individual has its own preference of music as this relates to them personally, whether it voices out their emotions or concerns on a particular thing. Music is held to be pleasant as this deviates or soothes an individual's self, as this helps a person to cope up. Music nowadays has greatly influenced people as this is a universal aspect of communicating to those people with the same aspiration as the other.

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