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# ISSUES OF INTERPRETING IMAGES OF HISTORICAL FIGURES IN THE WORK OF UZBEK COMPOSERS (ON THE EXAMPLE OF THE WORKS OF MUSTAFA BAFOYEV AND KHABIBULLO RAKHIMOV)

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## ABOUT ARTICLE

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**Received:** 14.12.2024 **Accepted:** 19.12.2024 **Published:** 24.12.2024 Abstract: This article studies the issues of musical interpretation of images of historical figures in the work of Uzbek composers Mustafa Bafoyev and Khabibullo Rakhimov. The content and essence of historical images in their works, their uniqueness in musical language and artistic expression are analyzed. The possibilities of incorporating historical events into musical works and thereby illuminating national values are considered. Conclusions are drawn that the authors skillfully interpreted the issues of preserving the historical memory of the people and passing on the aesthetic heritage to generations in their works. The article also shows the contribution of these works to the development of modern musical culture.

#### **INTRODUCTION**

Art is an eternal companion of human history. It is a unique means of expressing the spiritual and moral world of the nation, deeply affecting the human heart. Uzbek music and art, with its ancient roots, rich heritage and diverse themes, play an incomparable role in preserving the historical memory of the people and passing it on to future generations. In particular, musical images of historical figures are not only an example of artistic skill, but also a spiritual bridge between the past and the present.

The interpretation of images of historical figures in the works of Mustafa Bafoyev and Khabibullo Rakhimov is considered one of the highest examples of Uzbek music. Their works are not limited to musical expression, but also strengthen the people's imagination about historical events and personalities through artistic interpretation. In the creative work of these composers, the historical memory, spiritual values and aesthetic ideals of the people are embodied in musical form, combining the traditions of Uzbek national music with modern artistic rules.

The article provides an in-depth analysis of the artistic content, musical expressive language, and interpretation of historical images in the works of Bafoyev and Rakhimov. Through this analysis, the place of musical images of historical figures in the development of modern musical culture and its aesthetic significance are studied. This direction of Uzbek music is one of the important steps towards understanding national identity and expressing it in a highly artistic form.

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Creating musical images of historical figures is one of the most complex and demanding areas of art. This direction has reached its own heights in the work of Mustafa Bafoyev and Khabibullo Rakhimov. In their works, the character, spiritual strength, and contribution of historical figures to their time are revealed with unique artistic skill through musical means.

Mustafa Bafoyev's works are distinguished by their deep artistic content and musical simplicity. In his work, he managed to bring to life the images of historical figures by combining national melodies, oral traditions of the people and modern musical instruments. For example, in his work [name of specific work], the development of historical events is revealed through musical melodies, and the inner world of the characters is clearly depicted. In his musical compositions, Bafoyev skillfully uses every note, every pause as a means of illuminating historical reality and taking the listener into the past.

Khabibullo Rakhimov's work has an even wider scope and dramatic power. The musical plots he created are distinguished by their dynamics, strong emotional interpretation and deep philosophical content. In his work [name of specific work], the historical memory of the people, national pride and desire for justice are vividly reflected through musical images. In Rakhimov's works, the harmony of orchestral melodies and vocal parts allows the listener to feel the character of historical figures and understand their spiritual strength.

In the creative work of Bafoyev and Rakhimov, musical images serve to reflect the most important and historically significant periods of people's life. The musical works they created not only revive historical events in musical form, but also glorify the spiritual values of the people. Also, these creators bring the images of historical figures closer to the listener through musical artistry, reminding of their significance in their time and strengthening the spiritual connection between the past and the present. The tradition of creating images of historical figures in Uzbek music has reached a new level in the work of these two composers. Their work demonstrates the continuity and development of the national musical heritage, through which the historical memory of the people is resurrected in modern musical expression.

## **DISCUSSION**

The work of Mustafa Bafoyev and Khabibullo Rakhimov shows that creating musical images of historical figures is a process that requires not only artistic skill, but also deep spiritual responsibility. The work of these composers reveals the role of music in preserving historical memory, harmonizing it with national values and modern artistic concepts.

In Bafoyev's works, the images of historical figures are uniquely interpreted with the elegant melodies of national melodies and musical means of expression. These works, while glorifying national identity, encourage the listener to think deeply about historical events. For example, in his work, the courage of heroes famous among the people is vividly reflected through musical symbols. Bafoyev, using musical melodies, combines the personal experiences and social missions of historical figures, creating a unique spiritual sincerity.

Khabibullo Rakhimov, on the other hand, combines drama and great emotional power in depicting historical figures. In his works, the rich timbre possibilities of the orchestra and vocal parts combine to bring the listener to the center of historical events. Rakhimov's musical style provides not only listening,

but also feeling the events of the past. In his musical works, he expresses the inner world of historical figures through bright dramatic contrasts, which makes the images even more vivid and impressive. It should be especially noted in the discussion that the didactic significance of music is also noticeable in the works of Bafoyev and Rakhimov. Through their work, not only past events are conveyed to the listeners, but also the philosophical and spiritual values of that era. The visions of these composers about historical figures are expressed through the national musical language, which brought a unique novelty to modern musical culture.

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This creative heritage also serves as a great source of inspiration for young musicians and art critics today. The artistic interpretation of the works of Bafoyev and Rakhimov creates the opportunity to reveal new approaches to the musical expression of historical events. Their work not only demonstrates the uniqueness of Uzbek music, but also shows a unique direction in art of perpetuating the images of historical figures. The work of Mustafa Bafoyev and Khabibullo Rakhimov is of incomparable importance not only in the development of Uzbek music, but also in preserving historical memory and glorifying national identity. Their works, combining the historical memory of the people with musical artistry, make a great contribution to modern musical culture.

#### **CONCLUSION**

Creating musical images of historical figures is not only a responsible task of artistic creativity, but also of understanding history and expressing it in musical form. The work of Mustafa Bafoyev and Khabibullo Rakhimov has created unique examples in this regard, demonstrating the artistic and spiritual wealth of Uzbek musical art. Their works, along with enriching our national musical heritage, serve to strengthen the historical memory of the people.

Bafoyev showed great skill in depicting the images of historical figures through subtle and elegant musical styles in his musical works. His work has managed to revive historical events and personalities in a modern musical language, while preserving the originality of national melodies. Bafoyev's musical approach reflects the spiritual world of the people and inspires a sense of respect for their historical values.

Khabibullo Rakhimov, on the other hand, depicted the character, spiritual courage and influence of historical figures on his time through musical images with deep dramatism and rich musical means. His works invite the listener not only to the past, but also to feel the inner essence of history. Rakhimov's musical images bring historical figures closer to the modern listener and give them new spiritual facets. The most important feature of the work of Bafoyev and Rakhimov is that in their works they remind modern generations of the heroism and spiritual wealth of the people in the past through musical images. Their work does not only tell about historical events and personalities, but also expresses the national identity, pride and hopes of the people in musical language.

Today, the creative heritage of Bafoyev and Rakhimov is a valuable scientific and artistic resource not only in musicology, but also in the field of artistic interpretation of history. Their works vividly demonstrate the power of national art, the immortal significance of historical events in the means of artistic expression. Therefore, in the future stages of the development of Uzbek music, their creative approaches will undoubtedly serve as a source of inspiration and experience for the younger generation of musicians.

In conclusion, the musical images of historical figures created by Mustafa Bafoyev and Khabibullo Rakhimov have adorned the golden pages of national art and have become an aesthetic bridge connecting the past and present of the people in artistic perfection. Their work serves to understand the unlimited possibilities of national music and convey history to new generations through art.

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