

Giovanni "Nino" Rota

(Joe-vahn-knee Knee-no Roe-tuh)

1911 – 1979



- Rota was born into a musical family in Milan, Italy.
- From 1930 to 1932, Rota lived in the U.S.A. He won a scholarship to the Curtis Institute of Philadelphia.
- In 1937, he began a teaching career that led to the directorship of the Bari Conservatory, a title he held from 1950 until his death.
- Rota is most known for his movie scores, and his most notable scores were with the movie directors, Federico Fellini and Luchino Visconti.
- From 1949-1954 Rota produced close to 10 movie scores each year!
- He wrote 51 choral and vocal works, 60 orchestral pieces, 37 stage (ballet, opera, theatre) compositions, 49 chamber works, as well as movie scores for about 150 movies.



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