

## Frequently asked questions.

How long have you been creating musical artworks? I have been painting and constructing music artworks starting in early 2006. It was not until 2018 that I added sound to projects. Currently, all my artworks are music box artworks.

Does the artwork music appear on the artwork as it does in the original sheet music? That is both an old “yes” and a now a “no.” When I first started to paint the music flow of a song, I did follow the rules of musical staves. I did that for I was learning and teaching myself how best to paint music. To this day my musical notes still follow the flow relationship (the up and down movement) of the music notes. What has changed over the years, as this art has developed, is the following of the rules of notation. Beyond the up and down flow I have broken and keep breaking every other notation rule depending on the project. It is all complicated and at times I find it difficult to understand until I look at my project notes. What is important is that flow which is all I am depicting with accurately is what makes each of these artworks unique to a song.

What if the music in the artwork is copyrighted? What does that mean? For the end user in their home this is not an issue. When I produce a new music box that uses copyrighted music to comply with my use and understanding, I have purchased a Music Box cover license. Each music box owner can request a copy of that license for their own record.

Are the artworks all handmade by the artist? Yes, they are. I alone create the artwork, and since 2018 the cover music for each music box.

Do I do commission music artworks? The short answer is rare and no. Every project I start, I am emotionally connected to the music. That amounts to a large amount of dedication that is costly. It takes a month and more worth of work, averaging 50 plus hours per week in the Studio, to produce a finish music box artwork. That is why the acceptance of someone else’s music choice for a project would be difficult. I have got to love it to make it.

What happens if the music box fails to play? Is there a warranty? No, there are no warranties. These music box systems are very dependable and should last for many years if they are hung in a safe and climate-controlled environment and turned off or better unplugged when not in use for periods of time. If you have a sound issue, only basic troubleshooting can be done by way of email or phone. Failed power bricks can be replaced, for example, through Amazon. If there is a system issue, the entire stereo system can be removed and sent to the artist for repair.

Is there an alternative way to play a music box artwork? Yes, there is. Every artwork comes with a large QR code attached to the side of the artwork's controller box. When scanned, it then connects to an unlisted YouTube video that plays the original artwork's music. Also a digital copy of the original music box cover music is available on request for personal use only.

Is it possible to have the artwork powered by a battery? Yes, in many cases, that can be done as a separate charge. This upgrade would require the return of the artwork to the artist's studio, for a brief period, at the customer's expense.

Can the individual wooden music pieces be either repaired or replaced if needed? Yes, anything wood can be re-glued, repaired, or, if that is not practical, replicated.