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“Turning Points in History”

Brainstorming with the Bruce Springsteen

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Music History Topics (General)

“Yankee Doodle” embraced as a Revolutionary anthem

Slave Songs of the United States published (1867)

Columbia Records is founded (1888)

Benny Goodman plays Carnegie Hall with an integrated group (1938)

Marian Anderson performs at the Lincoln Memorial after being barred from Constitution Hall (1939)

Billie Holiday’s *Strange Fruit* protests racial lynchings (1939)

Alan Freed begins playing rhythm and blues on a major mass audience radio station (1951)

Elvis on the Ed Sullivan Show (1956)

Lesley Gore records feminist anthem “You Don’t Own Me” (1963)

The Beatles on the Ed Sullivan Show (1964)

Bob Dylan goes electric at the Newport Jazz Festival (1965)

Aretha Franklin records feminist anthem “Respect” (1967)

Woodstock (1969)

No Nukes: The Muse Concerts for a Non-Nuclear Future (1979)

MTV launches (1981)

Live Aid (1985)

Parental Advisory labels introduced (1980s/1990s)

MTV’s *Rock the Vote* campaign launched (1990)

The Concert for New York City (2001)

12/12/12: The Concert for Sandy Relief (2012)

Music History Topics (NJ Specific)

Thomas Edison invents the photograph (1877)

The Victor Talking Machine Company opens in Camden (1901)

Count Basie born in Red Bank (1904)

Paul Robeson founds the American Crusade Against Lynching (1946)

Bruce Springsteen hosts *A Night for the Vietnam Veteran* (1981)

NJ bands Bon Jovi and Skid Row among performers at the Moscow Music Peace Festival (1989)

Nirvana releases *Nevermind* (1991)

....And so many more!!

Teachers: For assistance, or to schedule a workshop or on-site research session, contact:

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