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- **1678:** Birth of Antonio Vivaldi; Robert de LaSalle explores the Great Lakes in America, then in 1682 claims the Louisiana territory for France.
- 1683: First German immigrants in North America.
- 1692: William and Mary College founded in Virginia.
- **1699:** Czar Peter the Great decrees that the new year in Russia will begin January 1 instead of September 1.
- **1704:** Young composer **Johann Sebastian Bach** walks 200 miles to hear a piece of music directed by the composer Dietrich Buxtehude.
- **1711:** English trumpeter John Shore is said to have invented the tuning fork.
- 1729: North and South Carolina become crown colonies.
- 1735: Birth of Paul Revere, an American patriot.
- **1741:** Death of Antonio Vivaldi; **George Friderick Handel** composes *Messiah*, an **oratorio**.

Igor Stravinsky did not enjoy Vivaldi's music. He called Vivaldi "a dull fellow who would compose the same music over and over.

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- 1685: Birth of George Frideric Handel and Johann Sebastian Bach.
- 1688: Plate glass is used for the first time.
- 1702: Earliest form of pantomime given at Drury Lane Theater, London, England.
- 1711: Clarinet used for the first time in an orchestra.
- 1717: Handel's Water Music first performed on the Thames River, London, England.
- 1721: Johann Sebastian Bach composes his *Brandenburg* Concertos.
- 1732: Benjamin Franklin publishes his first *Poor Richard's Almanac*.
- 1747: Birth of John Paul Jones, American Revolutionary naval officer.
- 1759: Death of George Frideric Handel; British gain Quebec from France.

After the first performance of the Messiah, Handel said of the audience, "I am sorry if I have only succeeded in entertaining them; I wished to make them better.

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