How To Truly Listen

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Has this video changed your idea of how one can listen to music?

This video has changed my way of seeing music in a completely different way. I listened to music earlier for the sake of my mood. I listened to a different type of music with my ear depending on my mood and the kind of energy I have but this video for the sake of good change my perspective how to truly listen to the music. Now, whenever the music will play I try to surrender my emotions and would listen to every piece of instrument, their coordination, and the chemistry behind the instruments playing with timing and accuracy making the sound.

How does she overcome the barriers of her disability?

Evelyn Glennie is a courageous woman; she used her whole body as a tool with her mind coordination to learn about vibrations and sounds. She used her body and felt the music to be flowing in and out of her body, for example, she uses to sense drum depending on the position of drum placing, her upper body used to sense upper drum beats and lower waist body to feel lower drum beats. She was told to listen to the music by organs other than ears. She gave her audition and joined Royal Academy. Later in her career, she became famous for her solo performances.

How does she describe her relationship to the music that she plays?

She said that as a musician she has to do everything which is not part of music, everything she does or plays is just because of her great abilities of observation. According to her she only gets a basic feeling of what to do and interpret those feelings and apply those feelings on the music she plays.

What do you think she tells us about creativity?

According to her, she thinks that creativity is when you really feel from inside what you want. For example, she told participants to clap and make a sound of thunder. You can only produce sound if you feel that sound within. This is her main theme of creativity that to be creative you have to feel it within and your body would make coordination with your mind to make that thing possible.