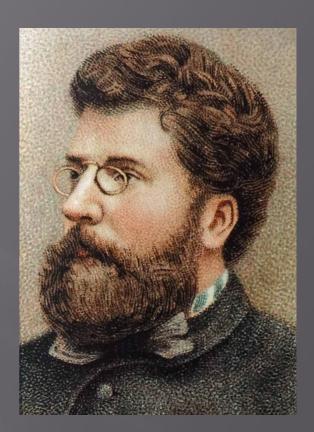
Bizet

A presentation made by the pupils of Mr Bruliard

- First name: Georges
- Nationality: French
- Date of birth: October 25th 1838
- **Date of death**: June 3rd 1875
- Musical Style : romantique



Biography :

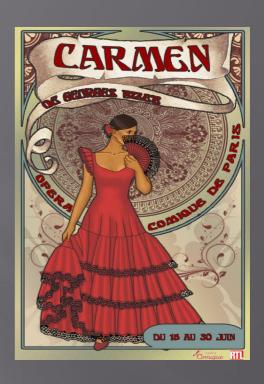
Georges Bizet was a French composer of the nineteenth century. He is the author of one of the most performed operas in the world, "Carmen". He was born in Paris. His father was a hairdresser and was also teaching singing. His mother was an amateur pianist. Bizet entered the conservatory at the age of 9. He composed an operetta "Dr. Miracle" at the age of 18. In 1869, he married Genevieve Halevy, daughter of another composer. After the 1870's war, he became head of choirs for the Opera and later vocal coach at the "Opéra Comique" (Comic Opera). From 1873 to 1875, he focused on the creation of "Carmen," an opera commissioned by the "Opera Comique" in Paris. The piece created on March 3, 1875 has firstly received a cold welcome. Sick and weak, Bizet died in Bougival 3 June 1875. His opera experienced success just after his death.



Main works :

« Carmen », « l'Arlésienne », « le docteur Miracle », « les pêcheurs de perles ». An opera « Carmen »





■ Carmen is a comic opera in four acts Geoges Bizet, libretto by Henri Mailhac and Ludovic Halévy, based on the novella "Carmen" by Prosper Merimee. Created on March 3rd 1875, at the Opera Comique under the leadership of Adolphe Deloffre. This is one of the most performed operas in the world.



- On March 3rd 1875, Bizet is made Chevalier of the Legion of Honour, the day of the premiere of "Carmen," which turned out to be a disaster. Musicians and singers were so bad, the scenery changes were taking such a long time, that the spectators gradually left the room, leaving it empty.
- The first triumph of this work took place in Vienna (Austria) from October 1875. Carmen became one of the most famous operas in the world.