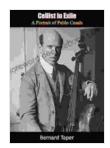
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Pablo Casals was a Spanish cellist, conductor, and composer. He is considered one of the greatest cellists of all time. Casals was a lifelong advocate for peace and social justice. He was forced into exile from Spain during the Spanish Civil War and spent the rest of his life living in France and Switzerland.

Casals was born in El Vendrell, Spain, in 1876. He began playing the cello at the age of five. He studied at the Barcelona Conservatory and later at the Paris Conservatory. Casals made his debut as a soloist in 1899. He quickly became one of the most sought-after cellists in the world.

Casals was a close friend of many of the leading musicians of his day, including Isaac Albéniz, Manuel de Falla, and Igor Stravinsky. He also commissioned works from many of these composers.

In 1936, the Spanish Civil War broke out. Casals was a supporter of the Republican government, and he refused to play in Spain while the war was going on. He was forced into exile in 1939, and he never returned to Spain.

Casals spent the rest of his life living in France and Switzerland. He continued to perform and record, and he also taught master classes. He was a vocal advocate for peace and social justice, and he used his music to promote these causes.

Casals died in San Juan, Puerto Rico, in 1973. He was 96 years old.

Legacy

Casals is considered one of the greatest cellists of all time. He was a master of technique and expression, and he was able to communicate the deepest emotions through his music.

Casals was also a lifelong advocate for peace and social justice. He used his music to promote these causes, and he was an inspiration to many people around the world.

Casals' legacy continues to inspire musicians and activists today. He is a reminder that music can be a powerful force for good in the world.

Pablo Casals Foundation

The Pablo Casals Foundation is a non-profit organization that was founded in 1972 by Casals himself. The foundation's mission is to promote Casals' legacy and to support young musicians.

The foundation offers a variety of programs, including concerts, master classes, and scholarships. It also maintains a museum in El Vendrell, Spain, which houses Casals' personal belongings and instruments.

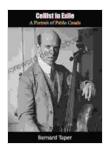
The Pablo Casals Foundation is a valuable resource for musicians and music lovers alike. It is a place where people can learn about Casals' life and work, and where they can be inspired by his legacy.

Casals Festival

The Casals Festival is an annual music festival that is held in Prades, France. The festival was founded in 1950 by Casals himself, and it is dedicated to his memory.

The festival offers a wide range of musical performances, including concerts, master classes, and workshops. It also features a variety of exhibitions and lectures.

The Casals Festival is a unique opportunity to experience the music of Pablo Casals and to learn about his life and work.

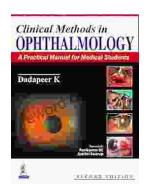


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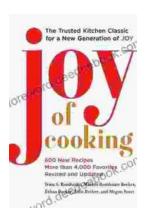
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