Music at the Court of Louis XIV

5th September 1638
Birth of Louis XIV

14th May 1643
Death of Louis XIII
Louis XIV becomes King aged 4 – his mother, Anne of Austria, becomes Regent

9th March 1651
Louis XIV performs in his first court ballet

23rd February 1653
Louis XIV performs as Apollo, *le Roi Soleil*, alongside Lully in *Ballet de la Nuit*

16th March 1653
Lully appointed *Compositeur de la Musique Instrumentale du Roi*

1661
Académie Royale de Danse established

9th March 1661
Louis XIV assumes absolute power upon death of Cardinal Mazarin

16th May 1661
Lully appointed *Surintendant de la Musique et Compositeur de la Musique de la Chambre*

28th June 1669
Académie d'Opéra established

1669
Louis XIV retires from public performances following last theatrical role in *Ballet de Flore*

16th March 1672
Lully purchases the bankrupt *Académie d'Opéra* – renamed *Académie Royale de Musique*

1683
Delalande shares the role of *Sous-maître de la Chapelle*

22nd March 1687
Death of Lully

26th December 1693
Couperin appointed *Organiste du Roi*

1700
Beauchamp-Feuillet dance notation guide *Chorégraphie* published

1707
Jacques-Martin Hotteterre appointed *Ordinaire de la Musique du Roi*

1714
Delalande becomes the single *Sous-maître de la Chapelle*

1st September 1715
Death of Louis XIV

Louis XIII | Regency of Anne of Austria and Mazarin | Louis XIV

1638 1640 1650 1660 1670 1680 1690 1700 1710 1715

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