

## **Abstract**

The goal of this work is: (a) to present knowledge of the foreign researches on personality of musicians in the arranged form in Czech language, (b) to realize the research carried out in the past under different cultural conditions in modified form in our country, (c) mutually compare the result of this research and the foreign researches, (d) to summarize the conclusions and to establish questions for the further investigation.

Artists and other creative individuals evince specific personality characteristics differentiating them from the other people. Among these individuals are also artists in the field of classical music.

This work yields a basic information about the difference of the specific personality characteristics of musicians and people who are not involved in music. It sums up existing knowledge on this topic and it creates internally consistent profile of an artist in the field of classical music.

In the quantitative research we aim to compare population of conservatory students (n = 57) with the control group – students of grammar school (n = 49). Data of their personality characteristics were obtained with help of Cattell's personality questionnaire 16 PF.

Discriminant analysis pointed to differences in five primary factors and one secondary factor of 16 PF. Conservatory students as a whole were more sensitive, more adventurous, more self-sufficient, more surgent, more perfectionistic and more pathemic. The differences have also shown in analysis according to gender. Conservatory students – boys – were more anxious, less opened, more self-sufficient, more perfectionistic and more adventurous than students of grammar school – boys. Conservatory students – girls – were more sensitive and more pathemic than grammar students – girls. Differences were also found among conservatory students within three factors of 16PF according to instrument they play on. These differences are pre-eminently in accordance with conclusions of other researches. Differences were found in Sensivity and Anxiety: Sensitivity was found within girls only and Anxiety within boys only. Other questions are raised.