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# Philip Glass (1937)

(US postmodernist composer, b. Baltimore; st. philosophy and music U of Chicago and Juilliard Schoool NY; st. at Paris with Nadia Boulanger with Fulbright scholarship, Ravi Shankear and Allah Rakha, back to NY 1967, plumber and cab driver, created Philip Glass Ensemble; cult following, success after *Einstein on the Beach*, both popular and classical audiences)

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