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Musicians and their instrument – the cello.

Well, we have:

Pablo Casals (1876 – 1973, 97 years),
Yo-Yo Ma (1955 - now 68),
Pierre Fournier (1906 – 1986, 80 years),
Mstislav Rostropovich (1927 – 2007, 80 years)
and Jacqueline du Pré (1945 – 1987, 42 years)

Jacqueline Mary du Pré OBE (26 January 1945 – 19 October 1987) was a British cellist. At a young age, she achieved enduring mainstream popularity. Despite her short career, she is regarded as one of the greatest cellists of all time.

Her career was cut short by multiple sclerosis, which forced her to stop performing at the age of 28. She died 14 years later at the age of 42.

She was the subject of the 1998 biographical film *Hilary and Jackie*, which attracted criticism for perceived inaccuracy and sensationalism.



Jacqueline's Tears (Jacques Offenbach)

Les Larmes de Jacqueline (Jacqueline's Tears) Op.76 No.2 /
Harmonies du soir Op.68 composed by Jacques Offenbach
(1819-1880) and dedicated to Arsène Houssaye

<https://youtu.be/1pmBJLI4kVw>

7:20 mins