

Surprise Symphony

Back in seventeen ninety two, there was not a lot to do;
Haydn wrote this symphony, Number Ninety Four in G.
Since there was not rock or jazz, Haydn made his own pizazz.
If songs got to be a bore, he'd add a surprise, (Loudly!)

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Forte is the word for loud and that will surely wake the crowd.
Just in case a sleeper lurks, singing forte always works!
(Wake Up!) Haydn woke his sleepers with a jolt to pop their peepers!
People knew when he directed to expect the unexpected!

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Concert dozing's not permitted. Those charged may not be acquitted.
No snoring, no sleeping, no fooling (not boring!)

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Now you can sing it, Italian or English. You know what dynamics are for.
Haydn insisted his players enlisted to keep songs from being a bore!
Mezzo forte! Piano forte! Haydn's kind of music kept the crowds awake!