Music notation programs and music programs

1. Music software

2. A criterion to use when you compare music notation programs

You will spend much time with your music notation program. This time is worth much more that what you pay for a music notation program. Be sure that the program you choose can write a *music notation exchange format* . This also holds for free versions.

The best export formats at the moment are *NIFF* , *MusicXML* , *abc* and *SCORE* . Others are possible, but not *MIDI* , that loses almost all visual information.

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