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# HISTORICAL PERSONALITIES

## THE MOST POPULAR PERSONALITIES IN ROMANIA

- **ECATERINA TEODOROIU**  
- THE WARRIOR WOMAN
- **NICOLAE PAULESCU**  
- PHYSIOLOGIST
- **GEORGE ENESCU**  
- COMPOSER
- **NADIA COMANECI**  
- GYMNAST





- She was a scout and participant in the First World War, where she died at the end of the battle of Mărășești fighting at the head of an infantry platoon of the Romanian Army.
- Ecaterina Teodoroiu went to Bucharest to become a teacher, and there she contributed to the establishment of the first scout organizations in the country.

*She was the first female officer  
in the Romanian army*



***ECATERINA TEODOROIU***

**14 january 1984 - 22 august 1917**



○ She acted as a nurse on the front lines of First World War , wanting revenge on her dead brothers in battle, and demanded that she be transferred to a combat unit.

○ She was taken prisoner, escaped and was wounded twice and ended up fighting in Marasesti.

○ During the battle of Marasesti, she guided her platoon with great force.

○ However, she fell hit by an enemy bullet. She died, fulfilling the soldiers to fight until the expulsion of the enemies from the country.

## *“THE HEROIN OF JIU”*



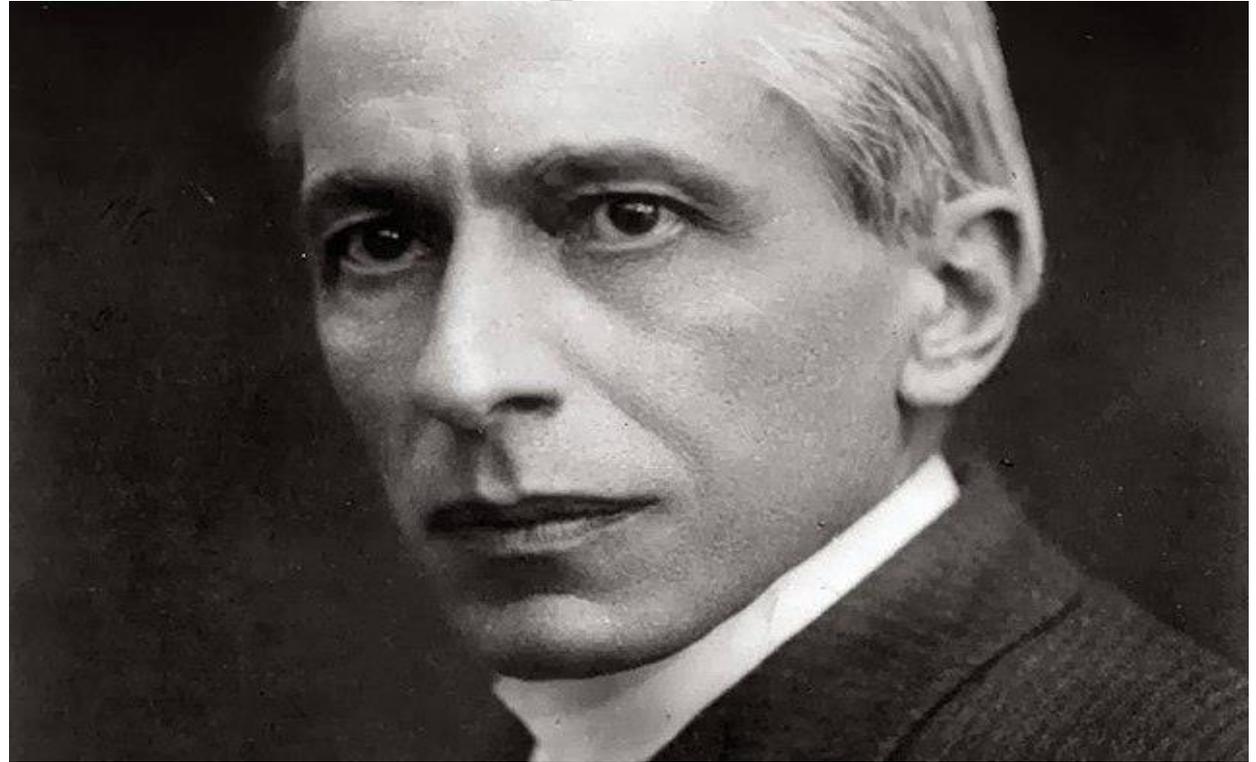


Known for :

Discovery of an antidiabetic hormone released by the pancreas, later called [insulin](#).

○ When [Frederick Banting](#) and [John James Rikard Macleod](#) were awarded the 1922 Nobel Prize for Physiology and Medicine for creating usable insulin, Paulescu wrote to the Nobel Prize committee claiming that he had discovered and used [insulin](#) first.

***Was a physiologist ,  
professor of medicine,  
and politician***



***Nicolae Paulescu***

**30 October 1869 - 17 July 1931**

❖ As a young student, Paulescu developed an interest in the arts and in the natural, physical, and chemical sciences. In 1888 he went to [Paris](#) to study [medicine](#), and three years later he took a post as a nonresident medical student at the Hôtel-Dieu de Paris.



❖ He helped found the National Christian Union in 1922, which in 1923 became the National Christian Defense League (LANC). The LANC was an influential anti-Semitic party that fueled the rise of the [Iron Guard](#).





George Enescu was a Romanian Composer, Pianist, Violinist and Conductor. He is remembered as one of the most important composers of the twentieth century.

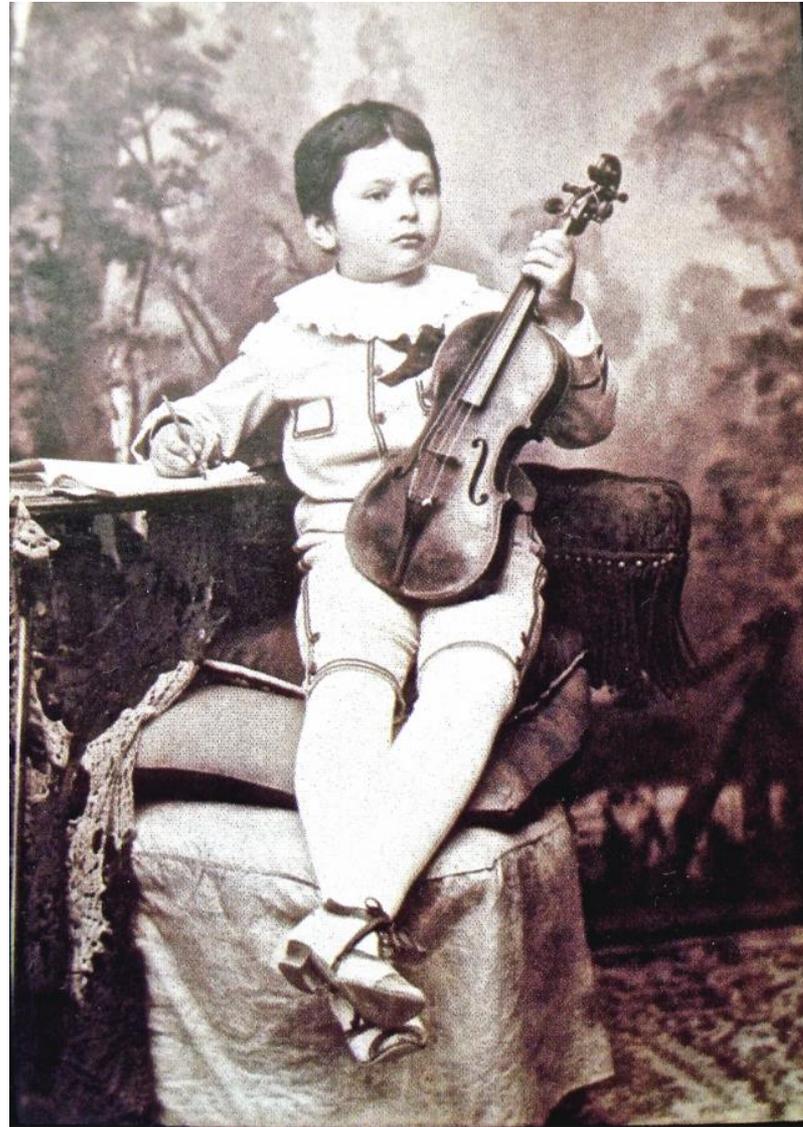
He was born in Dorohoi (presently Botosani County).



**GEORGE ENESCU**  
**Born: 19 August 1881**  
**Died: 4 May 1955**



It was said that he was given a violin at the age of four and at the age of five and a half, Enescu was already composing. At the age of five he wrote "*Pământ românesc*" (Romanian Land) during this time. At the tender age of seven, he became the youngest composer ever study at the famous Vienna Conservatory. Enescu became a silver medal graduate at the age of twelve.



The George Enescu Festival (also known as George Enescu International Festival and Competition), held in honor of the celebrated Romanian composer George Enescu, is the biggest classical music festival and classical international competition held in **Romania** and one of the biggest in Eastern

**FAMOUS WORK:**

- ROMANIAN  
RHAPSODY 1 AND 2  
1901-1902**
- ORCHESTRA SUITE  
1903**
- PIANO SUITE  
1903**
- SIMPHONY 1 FOR  
ORCHESTRA 1905**
- OEDIP 1910-1931**



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Aurel Vlaicu was a Romanian engineer, inventor and pioneer of Romanian and world aviation.

He began his engineering studies at the Technical University of Budapest, which he continued at the Technische Hochschule in Munich, graduating as an engineer in 1907.



**AUREL VLAICU**  
**Born in 19 NOVEMBER 1882**  
**Died in 13 September 1913**

In the autumn of 1909, the construction of his first plane, Vlaicu I, began at the Army Arsenal. The plane flew unchanged (unique to the beginnings of world aviation) in June 1910. In 1911 it built a second aircraft, Vlaicu II, with which in 1912 it won five memorable prizes at the air rally in Aspern, Austria.



**ON SEPTEMBER 13, 1913, DURING AN ATTEMPT TO CROSS THE CARPATHIAN MOUNTAINS WITH HIS PLANE VLAICU II, HE CRASHED NEAR CÂMPINA, APPARENTLY DUE TO A HEART ATTACK.**



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