

Schubert's Trio in E flat major, op. 100

Once I thought that I would spend
a lifetime writing music
until life moved off
in an alternative direction,
which brings sadness on occasion,
such as now, while the trio plays,
but when sadness is tempered by honesty
I must admit, most likely I would never
have composed even two or three
measures as stirring as each of these.

Some have, you see, a mission
to weep for everyone, but what
good would that be if the rest of us
were not around to listen?

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