

Leonardo Vinci. (Né en 1690 et mort en 1730) Leonardo Vinci – à ne pas confondre avec son quasi-homologue Leonardo da Vinci – est un compositeur italien, principalement connu pour ses opéras. He was born at Strongoli and educated at Naples under Gaetano Greco in the *Conservatorio dei Poveri di Gesù Cristo*. He first became known for his *Opere Buffe* in Neapolitan dialect in 1719; he also composed many *Opere Serie*. He was received into the Congregation of the Rosary at Formiello in 1728. He died in May 1730. Vinci is rumoured to have been poisoned in the wake of an ill-advised affair, a story which is given by several reliable authorities without evident contradictions. Ecoutons le dans « Se d'un amor tiranno » extrait de sa mise en l'opéra du livret *Artaserse*, chanté par Max Emanuel Cencic :

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=9gzJ9BwSYyI>

Vinci's *Opere buffe*, of which *Li zite 'ngalera* (1722) is generally regarded as the best, are full of life and spirit; his *Opere serie*, of which *Didone Abbandonata* (Rome, 1726) and *Artaserse* (Rome, 1730) are the most notable, have an incisive vigour and directness of dramatic expression praised by Charles Burney. The well-known aria "Vo solcando," from *Artaserse*, is a good example of his style.

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