TONALITY

• As a reaction to the Middle Ages Church Scales, and with the event of the Equal Temperament System, the Tonality appeared during the 17th Century and lived through what is called <u>Common Practice Period</u>; It "simplifies" the old multiple MODE Systems to just two: Major and minor, freely transposable and sounding alike on any of the 12 chromatic steps

 \cdot <u>TONALITY</u> or <u>KEY</u> = a system of hierarchical relationships "revolving" around a central pitch or <u>TONIC</u>; the Tonality is the <u>Creative</u> factor- pieces "go" in a certain key

TONAL FUNCTIONS: Primary (I, IV, V) and Secondary – chart explaining the names origin



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