What is MusicBrainz?

- An open music encyclopedia that collects music metadata and makes it available to the public.

- **Metadata:** Describes the data. Gives information about its content.
  - Example: An image would have metadata about the length and width of the picture, the amount of red, green, and blue in the image, etc.

- Like Wikipedia, MusicBrainz depends on the public to add information to its database.
What kind of data are they collecting?

- MusicBrainz is looking to create data about all types of music!
- This data includes information about artists, release groups, releases, recordings, works, and labels, as well as the many relationships between them.
What can you do with this data?

- MusicBrainz aims to help people develop products, using the data that they provide. They even offer tools to help you incorporate the data into your software.
- Ultimate source of music information
- Providing a reliable and unambiguous form of music identification
Sister Organizations

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   ➢ Recommendation Systems
❖ AcousticBrainz
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   ➢ Licensed music reviews
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