

# Music That Evolves

**Lots of things evolve: history, landscapes, relationships, your entire life! Even the size, shape and character of the universe is constantly changing. It's all a work in progress, with Mother Nature leaving nothing stationary. The music itself Evolves from chaos to beauty. *Evolve* chronicles the process, which is similar for all of the above, and more. Pick something you're familiar with that is still evolving, and listen along for stages and turning points. Examples:**

**-The Universe *Evolve*:** from perfect silence and nothingness, a slight little wobble off balance of the most basic chemical elements leads to a building tension. When they can no longer contain themselves, they erupt into a violent explosion that sets everything (and I mean "everything") in motion. Chaos and disorganization spews out from the center with no rhyme, reason or destination, until stars fly without constantly hitting each other, and things finally start to settle down.

There's still very little sense to things, but gravity takes hold and begins to form galaxies, systems and spheres. From a distance, beauty takes shape but up close, the volcanic turmoil continues. Even after much time, landscapes cool, but trouble still bubbles beneath. Always changing, but in smaller ways, predictable patterns of shapes and currents become beauty and wonder. Though the music ends at this point, there may still be more to come.

**-A Life *Evolve*:** a microscopic change of plans bursts into an unstoppable and multifaceted explosion of growth. It takes some time before a recognizable form takes place, but even childhood awkwardness goes from cute to brilliant over time. As we all know, unsettled stages of turmoil can come at any time, and usually do. Often torn between our impulsive youth and a responsible future, years of emotional peaks and valleys lie ahead. Maturity usually brings a little order, confidence and stability.

**-Relationships *Evolve*:** An often directionless chance meeting can lead from one thing to another. Discovering another's personality is challenging, yet inspiring. Held together by a personal gravity, navigating the twists and turns is fraught with emotion and tension. Periods of bliss regenerate the experience, and help us through tough times. Experience brings happiness.

**-Humanity *Evolve*:** We all know the physical changes man has made since the amoeba, but when you follow that with thousands of years of intellectual development, historical upheaval and wars, our own work in progress seems like only few moments in time. From a daily struggle for survival, to periods of invention and industry. From dark ages and enlightenment, to Teslas and terror. It sometimes seems like one step forward, and one step back. This too, is still playing out in search of nirvana.

**-Music *Evolve*:** from ancient dissonant noisemakers and unpitched instruments, came rhythms and simple, crude and imperfect melodies. Beneath it all was the natural beauty of harmony rooted in physical science. Musicians and composers can only marvel at its impact, and try to unlock its secrets. That holy grail of reaching the perfect aural sunset, is often at the end of a very difficult road. But, beauty is often fleeting, and the forces of nature keep things moving. So, once the goal is in sight, it's easier to plot a path to that golden sunset moment.