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Sommario/riassunto	Paul Nordoff's inspirational gift to the development of creative musicianship and the art of clinical improvisation has placed him as one of the leading figures in music therapy. His uncompromising and meticulous approach to the compositional qualities of music in therapy has set a standard that continues to inspire music therapists to this day. Through the Nordoff-Robbins approach he fulfilled his vision of work that would meet the needs of children with musical quality and respect. What is not commonly known, however, is that before becoming a therapist Nordoff was an established American co