

Original Musicals Written (in part) by BIPOC Artists (Broadway/off-Broadway)				
Musical	Year	Writers	Links	Notes (for Personal Use)
Shuffle Along	1921	Book: F.E. Miller, Aubrey Lyles Lyrics: Noble Sissle Music: Eubie Blake	https://www.playbill.com/production/shuffle-along-or-the-making-of-the-musical-sensation-of-1921-and-all-that-followed-music-box-theatre-vault-0000014107	
Simply Heavenly	1957	Book & Lyrics: Langston Hughes Music: David Martin	https://masterworksbroadway.com/music/simply-heavenly-1957-original-broadway-cast-recording/	
Jerico-Jim Crow	1964	Book: William Hairston, Langston Hughes Music & Lyrics: Various	https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Jerico-Jim_Crow	
Ain't Supposed to Die a Natural Death	1971	Book, Lyrics & Music: Melvin Van Peebles	https://www.playbill.com/production/aint-supposed-to-die-a-natural-death-ethel-barrymore-theatre-vault-0000004340	
Don't Bother Me, I Can't Cope	1972	Music & Lyrics: Micki Grant	https://www.concordtheatricals.com/p/5752/dont-bother-me-i-cant-cope	
Raisin	1973	Music: Judd Woldin Lyrics: Robert Brittan	https://www.concordtheatricals.com/p/4248/raisin	
The Wiz	1975	Book: William F. Brown Lyrics & Music: Charlie Smalls	https://broadwaymusicalhome.com/shows/wiz.htm	
Your Arms Are Too Short to Box with God	1976	Book: Vinnette Carroll Lyrics: Alex Bradford, Micki Grant Music: Alex Bradford, Micki Grant	https://www.playbill.com/production/your-arms-too-short-to-box-with-god-alvin-theatre-vault-0000000872	
But Never Jam Today	1979	Book: Vinnette Carroll & Bob Larimer Lyrics: Bob Larimer Music: Bert Keyes, Bob Larimer	https://www.playbill.com/production/but-never-jam-today-longacre-theatre-vault-0000006884	
Dreamgirls	1981	Book & Lyrics: Tom Eyan Music: Henry Krieger	https://broadwaymusicalhome.com/shows/dreamgirls.htm	
The Tap Dance Kid	1983	Book: Charles Blackwell Lyrics: Robert Lorick Music: Henry Kreiger	https://www.concordtheatricals.com/p/1814/the-tap-dance-kid	
Sarafina! The Music of Liberation	1988	Book, Lyrics & Music: Mbongeni Ngema	https://masterworksbroadway.com/music/sarafina-broadway-cast-recording-1988/	
Shogun	1990	Book & Lyrics: John Driver Music: Paul Chihara	http://guidetomusicaltheatre.com/shows_s/shogun.html	
The Bubbly Black Girl Sheds Her Chameleon Skin	2000	Book, Lyrics & Music: Kirsten Childs	http://www.guidetomusicaltheatre.com/shows_b/bubblyblack.htm	
Little Ham	2001	Book: Dan Owens Lyrics: Richard Enquist, Judd Woldin Music: Judd Woldin	https://www.concordtheatricals.com/p/4274/langston-hughess-little-ham	
The Color Purple	2008	Book: Marsha Norman Lyrics: Brenda Russell, Allee Willis, Stephen Bray Music: Brenda Russell Allee Willis	https://www.theatricalrights.com/show/the-color-purple/	
In the Heights	2008	Book, Lyrics & Music: Lin Manuel Miranda	https://www.concordtheatricals.com/p/44976/in-the-heights	
Passing Strange	2008	Book, Lyrics & Music: Stew & Heidi Rodewald	http://www.broadwaymusicalhome.com/shows/passingstrange.htm	
Ordinary Days	2008	Book, Lyrics & Music: Adam Gwon	https://www.concordtheatricals.com/p/44579/ordinary-days	
Bring it On: The Musical	2012	Book: Jeff Whitty Lyrics: Amanda Green, Lin-Manuel Miranda Music: Tom Kitt, Lin-Manuel Miranda	https://www.mtishows.com/bring-it-on-the-musical	
Allegiance	2015	Book: Marc Acito, Jay Kuo, Lorenzo Thione Music & Lyrics: Jay Kuo	http://allegiancemusical.com	
Hamilton	2015	Book, Lyrics & Music: Lin Manuel Miranda	https://hamiltonmusical.com/new-york/home/	
Bella: An American Tall Tale	2017	Book, Lyrics & Music: Kirsten Childs	https://www.concordtheatricals.com/p/64007/bella-an-american-tall-tale	

Soft Power	2018	Book & Lyrics: David Henry Hwang Music: Jeanine Tesori	https://publictheater.org/softpower	
The Secret Life of Bees	2018	Book: Lynn Nottage Lyrics: Susan Birkenhead Music: Duncan Sheik	https://atlantictheater.org/production/the-secret-life-of-bees/	
Scotland, PA	2019	Book: Michael Mitnick Lyrics & Music: Adam Gwon	https://www.roundabouttheatre.org/get-tickets/2019-2020-season/scotland-pa/	
A Strange Loop	2020	Book, Lyrics & Music: Michael R. Jackson	https://www.playwrightshorizons.org/shows/plays/strange-loop/	
Intimate Apparel	2022	Libretto: Lynn Nottage Music: Ricky Ian Gordon	https://www.lct.org/shows/intimate-apparel/	
Paradise Square	2022	Book: Christina Anderson, Marcus Gardley, Larry Kirwan, Craig Lucas Lyrics: Masi Asare, Nathan Tysen Music: Jason Howland, Larry Kirwan	https://paradisesquaremusical.com	

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Jukebox Musicals Featuring Work of BIPOC Artists (Broadway)

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Me and Bessie	1974	Book: Will Holt, Linda Hopkins Lyrics: Various Music: Various	https://www.playbill.com/production/me-and-bessie-ambassador-theatre-vault-0000001000	
Bubbling Brown Sugar	1976	Book: Lofton Mitchell Lyrics & Music: Various (songs from Harlem Renaissance)	http://www.guidetomusicaltheatre.com/shows_b/bubblingbrownsugar.htm	
Eubie!	1978	Conceived: Julianne Boyd Lyrics: Various Music: Eubie Blake	https://www.mtishows.com/eubie	
Sophisticated Ladies	1981	Conceived: Donald McKayle Lyrics: Various Music: Duke Ellington	https://www.concordtheatricals.com/p/44837/sophisticated-ladies	
Ain't Misbehavin'	1988	Concept: Richard Maltby Jr., Murray Horwitz Music: Thomas "Fats" Waller	https://www.mtishows.com/aint-misbehavin	
Five Guys Named Moe	1992	Conceived: Clark Peters Lyrics: Various Music: Louis Jordan	https://www.mtishows.com/five-guys-named-moe	
Jelly's Last Jam	1992	Book: George C. Wolfe Lyrics: Susan Birkenhead Music: Jelly Roll Morton, Luther Henderson	http://www.guidetomusicaltheatre.com/shows_j/jellysjam.htm	
Fela!	2009	Book: Jim Lewis, Bill T. Jones Lyrics: Fela Anikulapo-Kuti, Jim Lewis Music: Fela Anikulapo-Kuti, Aaron Johnson, Jordan McLean	https://www.felaonbroadway.com	
After Midnight	2013	Conceived: Jack Viertel Lyrics & Music: Various	https://broadwaymusicalhome.com/shows/after-midnight.htm	
Motown	2013	Book: Berry Gordy Jr. Lyrics & Music: Various (songs of Motown era)	https://www.broadway.com/shows/motown/	
On Your Feet	2015	Book: Alexander Dinelaris Lyrics & Music: Emilio Estefan, Gloria Estafan	https://onyourfeetmusical.com/the-show/	
Summer	2018	Book: Colman Domingo, Robert Cray, Des McAnuff Lyrics & Music: Donna Summer, et. al.	https://thedonnasummernmusical.com	
Ain't Too Proud	2019	Book: Dominique Morisseau Lyrics & Music: Various (song of Motown era)	https://www.ainttooproudmusical.com	

Tina	2019	Book: Katoria Hall Lyrics & Music: Various (songs of Tina Turner)	https://tinaonbroadway.com	
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An Incomplete List of Original Musicals Written (in part) by BIPOC Artists (Regional)

Musical	Year	Writers	Links	Notes (for Personal Use)
The View from Here	2005	Book, Lyrics & Music: Timothy Huang	https://www.timothyhuang.net/the-view-from-here	
Here Lies Love	2013	Concept & Lyrics: David Byrne Music: David Byrne & Fatboy Slim Additional Music: Tom Gandey, J. Pardo	https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Here_Lies_Love_(musical)	
Cake Off	2015	Book: Sheri Wilner, Julia Jordan Lyrics: Julia Jordan, Adam Gwon Music: Adam Gwon	https://www.sigtheatre.org/events/2015-16/cake-off/	
Lizard Boy	2015	Book, Lyrics & Music: Justin Huertas	http://www.lizardmusical.com	
The Family Resemblance	2016	Book, Lyrics & Music: Masi Asare	https://masiasare.com/shows	
Pangea	2017	Book & Lyrics: Lee Summers Music: Janet Noh	http://janetnohmusic.com/theatre_pangaea.html	
The River is Me	2017	Book & Lyrics: Sukari Jones Music: Troy Anthony	https://sukarijones.wordpress.com/the-river-is-me/	
The Four Immigrants	2017	Book, Lyrics & Music: Min Kahng	https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=paduuE0TdXU&feature=emb_logo	
Present Perfect	2018	Book & Lyrics: Nancy Nachama Cheser Music: Jaime Lozano	https://www.presentperfectmusical.com/about	
The Tale of Despereaux	2019	Book, Lyrics & Music: PigPen Theatre Co.	https://www.berkeleyrep.org/season/1920/14952.asp	
Gun & Powder	2020	Book & Lyrics: Angelica Chéri Music: Ross Baum	http://www.angelicacheri.com/gun-and-powder	
Lydia and the Troll	2020	Book, Lyrics & Music: Justin Huertas	https://www.seattlerep.org/plays/past-seasons/2015-present/1920/lydia-and-the-troll/	

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Contemporary BIPOC Writers to Follow

Writer(s)	Website	Sample Work	Instagram	Twitter
Jay Adana	https://www.jayadana.com	Moonshine	@jayadanafLOW	@jayadanafLOW
Ari Afsar	https://www.ariannaafsar.com	We Won't Sleep	@ariannaafsar	@ariannaafsar
Troy Anthony		We're a Team	@troyanthonymusic	
Masi Asare	https://masiasare.com	From Then	@masiasare	@masiasare
Charles Vincent Burwell	https://www.charlesvincentburwell.com	Summer in a Bottle	@burwellandsasser	-
Kirsten Childs	-	Pretty	@kirchilds	@KirChildsWriter
David Davila	https://www.daviddavila.net	I Wanna Be on Broadway	@davidodavila	-
Noemi de la Puente	http://noemidlp.com	Lightning Strikes Twice	@noemidlp629	@noemidlp
Ty Defoe	https://www.tydefoe.com	Fly		@TyDefoe
Karole Foreman	https://www.karoleforeman.com	If You Love Me	@karoleforemanactor	-
Timothy Huang	https://www.timothyhuang.net	So What	@timothyhuangstagram	@TimothyHuang
Khiyon Hursey	-	Worth Risking Everything	@khiyon94	@khiyon94
Christine Toy Johnson	https://www.christinetoyjohnson.com	The Miracle of Now	@ctoyj	@CToyJ
Sukari Jones	https://sukarijones.wordpress.com	I Can Do What I Want	@sukarisukarisukari	@sukarijones
Ayesu Lartey	https://www.ayesu.net	Come As You Are/The Light	@ayesu75	@AyesuLartey

Eric Elliot Lee	https://ericelliotlee.ca	Marina	-	-
Melissa Li	https://www.melissali.com	I Don't Look	@melsaboo	@melsaboo
Jaime Lozano	https://www.jaimelozano.net	Nothing is Broken	@jaimelozano	@jaimelozano
John-Michael Lyles	http://www.john-michaelyles.com	Hold Your Head Up	@jmlyles1	@jmlyles1
Douglas Lyons	https://www.lyonsandpakchar.com	Let Go	@chocolatehipster	@DouglasSings
Brett Macias	http://brettmacias.com	Slide Away	@burtmakai	@burtmakai
Divya Maus	https://www.divyamaus.com	London Morning	@divyamaus	@divyamaus
Cheeyang Ng	https://www.cheeyang.com	Enough	@cheeyangmusic	@Cheeyangmusic
Janet Noh	http://janetnohmusic.com/index.html	Waters of Life	@janetnoh	@janetnoh
AriDy Nox & Brandon Webster	https://aridynox.com	But You Know That	@brandonwebstermusic, @aridynox	@aridynox, @BWM_NYC
Zara Nunn	https://www.zaranunn.com	Change the View	@zarzygram	@zaranunn
Ronvé O'Daniel	http://www.ronveodaniel.com	These Hands	@ronve_music	@Ronveezy
Anglea Ortiz	https://soundcloud.com/user-582994243	Connections	@ortizange	-
Marcus Scott	https://writemarcus.tumblr.com	Look at Me Now	@therealmarcusscott	@RealMarcusScott
Rona Siddiqui	http://ronasiddiqui.com/index.html	Every Time it Ends	@crazyfingers10	@RonaSiddiqui
Tidtaya Sinutoke	https://www.tidtayasinutoke.com	Fly	@tidtaya_sinutoke	-
Victoria Theodore	http://victoriatheodore.com	Human	@victoriatheodoremusic	@VictoriaTheo
Shayna Toh	http://www.shaynatoh.com	Only Life Knows	-	@shaynatoh
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