

List of African American dramatists & playwrights

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The following list may be used by DTASC educators and coaches as a guide and resource to search for works by African American playwrights.

This list of playwrights has multiple writers and should provide an opportunity for educators to expand their knowledge of repertoire.

Ira Aldridge	Trey Ellis	Felton Perry
Ron Allen (playwright)	Laurence Fishburne	Shauneille Perry
Christina Anderson (playwright)	Marcus Gardley	Tyler Perry
Garland Anderson (playwright)	Krysta Gonzales	Louis S. Peterson
Regina M. Anderson	Kirsten Greenidge	Toni Press-Coffman
Maya Angelou	Sam Greenlee	Willis Richardson
James Baldwin	Bonnie Greer	Sonia Sanchez
Amiri Baraka	Thomas Montgomery Gregory	Sandra Seaton
Tanya Barfield	Angelina Weld Grimké	Charles Sebree
Ifa Bayeza	Rosa Guy	Victor Séjour
Barry Beckham	Katori Hall	Ntozake Shange
Marita Bonner	Lorraine Hansberry	Levy Lee Simon
Thomas Bradshaw (playwright)	James Earl Hardy	Anna Deavere Smith
William B. Branch	Aleshea Harris	Charles Smith (playwright)
Donari Braxton	Jeremy O. Harris	Sandra Smokes
Elizabeth Brown-Guillory	Hilly Hicks Jr.	Eulalie Spence
Oscar Brown	Vy Higginsen	Aurin Squire
William Alexander Brown	Abram Hill	Jeff Stetson
William Wells Brown	Ike Holter	Rashida Strober
Ed Bullins	Sterling Houston	David E. Talbert
Laurie Carlos	C. Bernard Jackson	Regina Taylor
Vinnette Justine Carroll	Branden Jacobs-Jenkins	Joseph A. Walker (playwright)
Steve Carter (playwright)	Caleen Sinnette Jennings	Douglas Turner Ward
Alice Childress	Georgia Douglas Johnson	Theodore Ward
Kirsten Childs	Adrienne Kennedy	Cheryl West
Cheril N. Clarke	Martha Jayne Keys	Brenton Weyi
Eugenia Collier	Jaron Marquis	Aaron White
Kristiana Rae Colón	Judi Ann Mason	Jason Christophe White
Eisa Davis	Robbie McCauley	H. Sharif Williams
Thulani Davis	Tarell Alvin McCraney	Samm-Art Williams
Lydia R. Diamond	Michael R. Jackson	August Wilson
Owen Dodson	May Miller	Tracey Scott Wilson
Henry Francis Downing	Lynn Nottage	George C. Wolfe
	Robert O'Hara	Ahmos Zu-Bolton
	Dael Orlandersmith	
	Suzan-Lori Parks	

