The Wheeler Lapine Shevelove Gelbart Applause Libretto Library: A Must-Have for Musical Theater Lovers

The Wheeler Lapine Shevelove Gelbart Applause Libretto Library is a collection of 16 of the most important and influential librettos of the past century. These librettos represent the work of some of the most celebrated musical theater writers, including Stephen Sondheim, John Weidman, William Finn, Jonathan Larson, Lin-Manuel Miranda, and many others.

The collection is edited by Tony Award-winning librettist and director Scott Ellis, and includes a foreword by Pulitzer Prize-winning playwright Tony Kushner. The librettos are accompanied by insightful essays by leading musical theater scholars, providing a comprehensive overview of the art and craft of writing for the musical stage.



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The Librettos

The 16 librettos included in the Wheeler Lapine Shevelove Gelbart Applause Libretto Library are:

- Company by Stephen Sondheim and George Furth
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- Assassins by Stephen Sondheim and John Weidman
- Falsettos by William Finn and James Lapine
- Rent by Jonathan Larson
- Parade by Jason Robert Brown and Alfred Uhry
- Avenue Q by Jeff Marx and Robert Lopez
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- Hamilton by Lin-Manuel Miranda
- Fun Home by Jeanine Tesori and Lisa Kron
- Dear Evan Hansen by Steven Levenson and Benj Pasek and Justin Paul

- Jagged Little Pill by Alanis Morissette and Diablo Cody
- Moulin Rouge! The Musical by John Logan and Baz Luhrmann
- Six by Toby Marlow and Lucy Moss

The Editors

Scott Ellis is a Tony Award-winning librettist and director. He has directed over 50 Broadway productions, including *She Loves Me*, *The Visit*, and *Tootsie*. He is also the artistic director of the Roundabout Theatre Company.

Tony Kushner is a Pulitzer Prize-winning playwright. His plays include Angels in America, Caroline, or Change, and The Intelligent Homosexual's Guide to Capitalism and Socialism with a Key to the Scriptures.

The Essays

The essays in the Wheeler Lapine Shevelove Gelbart Applause Libretto Library are written by leading musical theater scholars. The essays provide insightful analysis of the librettos, exploring their themes, characters, and music.

The essays are written by:

- Philip Horne
- Stephen Banfield
- Ethan Mordden
- Gerald Bordman

- John Lahr
- Marsha Norman
- Graciela Daniele
- Charles Isherwood
- Michael Musto
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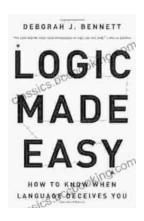
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