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The Lorraine Hansberry Playwriting Award

Michael Kanin Playwriting Awards

This award recognizes outstanding plays written by students of African or Diasporan descent that best express the African American experience.

2021 The Deliverance

by Daysha Veronica

UCLA

Second Place: Bite Me

by Eliana Pipes

Playwrights Theatre of Boston

University

2020 How to Bruise Gracefully

by Brittany Fisher
The Juilliard School

Good Fit

by Nkenna Akunna Brown University

2019 Alaiyo

by Micah Ariel Watson New York University

Tambo and Bones

by Dave Harris

University of California, San Diego

Maiden Voyage

by Cayenne Douglass Boston University 2018 Everybody Black

by Dave Harris

University of California, San Diego

Uncle Tom's Nephews

by Josiah Thomas Turner

University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point

2017 Slave Play

by Jeremy O. Harris Yale School of Drama

White History

by Dave Harris

University of California, San Diego

2016 Wrong River

by Josh Wilder

Yale School of Drama

Second Place: This Land was Made

by Tori Sampson Yale School of Drama

2015 Br'er Cotton

by Tearrance A. Chisholm Catholic University of America

	Second Place: A is for Apron	2010	The Contract
	by Leviticus Jelks		by James Webb
	Carnegie-Mellon University		New York University
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2014	Corktown or Through the Valley of	2009	King Nigga
	Dry Bones		by Ayanna Maia Saulsberry
	by Jeff Augustin		New York University
	University of California, San Diego		·
	•		Second Place: Refraction
	Second Place: Hooded or Being Black		by Ronald McCants
	for Dummies		University of California, San Diego
	by Tearrance A. Chisholm		,
	Catholic University of America	2008	Flat Sam
	·		by Antoinette Nwandu
2013	Little Children Dream of God		New York University
	by Jeff Augustin		
	University of California, San Diego		Second Place: South Bridge
			by Reginald Edmund
	Second Place: Dontrell, Who Kissed th	e	Ohio University
	Sea		
	by Nathan Davis	2007	CLICK-BOOM
	Indiana University		by Nakia Oglesby
			University of Nevada
2012	The Wind and The Breeze		
	by Nathan Davis	2006	One Fell Swoop
	Indiana University		by Isaac Charles Holter
			DePaul University
	Second Place: Battle Cry		
	by Bianca Sams		The Last Black Play
	Ohio University		by Nathan Louis Jackson
			Kansas State Univeristy
	Third Place: Delta Secret		
	by Prince Duren	2005	Hoodoo Love
	University of Arkansas		by Katori Hall
			Harvard University
2011	Cry Old Kingdom		
	by Jeff Augustin	2004	Revela+Z27:AB56tions: The Outtakes
	University of California, San Diego		by Christina Anderson
			Brown University
	Second Place: The Urban Retreat		
	by A. Zell Williams	2003	The Mancherios
	New York University		by Nathan Louis Jackson
			Kansas State University

2002	Familiar by Kirsten Greenidge University of Iowa	1995	Make-up Stories by Eric C. Waldemar, Jr. University of Maryland, College Park
	Second Place: Streethawker by John Adekoje Humboldt State University		Second Place: Sunshine Playlot by Dominic Taylor Brown University
2001	Whiteout by Alan Newton University of Kansas	1994	Hedy Understands Anxiety by Angela Counts University of California, Los Angeles
	Second Place: Feeding Beatrice by Kristen Greenidge University of Iowa		The Miracle Church by Sybil Berry University of Pittsburgh
1999	The Bow Wow Club by Levi "Lee" Simon, Jr. University of Iowa	1993	Talking Bones by Shay Youngblood Brown University
	Second Place: A Noose for Bettyanne by Javon Johnson University of Pittsburgh	1992	Strands by Eric Wilson University of Missouri
1998	Papa's Blues by Javon Johnson University of Pittsburgh	1991	Union Station by Marta Effinger University of Pittsburgh
1997	Miss Nowhere Diner by Kathleen F. Potts University of Southern Maine	1989	Home by Theresa Love University of California, Davis
	Second Place: A Preface to the Alien Garden by Robert Alexander University of Iowa		Second Place: City Women by Danna Wilner University of Portland
1996	Moments Above the Underground by Geryll Robinson University of Southern Iliinois	1988	Peabody Duck by Leslie Wade University of California, Santa Barbara
	Second Place: An' Push da Wind Down by Lisa Harper University of California, Los Angeles	1987 1	Inside/Out by Tom Coash University of California, Davis

Second Place: Caught in the Middle

and No Way Outby Michael HollandSUNY Brockport

1986 The Peacemaker

by Arnold Pinnix

North Carolina A & T State

University

Second Place: Mournin'

by Carolyn Cole

University of North Carolina

1984 Eleven Zulu

by Patrick Sean Clark University of Missouri

1979

Second Place: Snooks McAllister Lives

at My House

by Robyn Claire Williams Loyola University

1983 The Bulldog and the Bear

by Richard Gordon

California State University, Fullerton 1978

Second Place: The Silent Warrior

by Charles Smith University of Iowa

1982 Asaga Kimashita

by Velina Houston

University of California, Los Angeles 1977

Second Place: Enemies

by Karen Boettcher

Portland State University

1981 Big Bucks and Three Piece Suits, 'Til

Kingdom

Come, Amen!

by Joseph Mitchell

Eastern Washington University

Second Place: Second Doctor Lady/The Reconstruction

of Dossie Hemphill

by Endesha Holland

University of Minnesota, Minneapolis

Silent Octaves

1980

by Brenda Faye Collie University of Iowa

Second Place: That's Life

by Charley Vance

Louisiana State University

Second Place: Nobody, An Evening with Bert Williams

by Vincent D. Smith

University of Maryland, College Park

The American Chalk Circle

by Richard Russell

San Jose State University

Throw Me Something, Mr. God

by Daniel DuPlantis

Nichols State University

The Ballad of Charley Sweet

by Farrell Foreman

Northern Illinois University

Second Place: 227

by Christine Houston

Kennedy-King College

A Star Ain't Nothin' But a Hole in Heaven

by Judi Ann Mason

Grambling College

Second Place: Oh, Oh Freedom

by Irwin Washington

University of California, Los Angeles