

## The 200 Plays That Every Theatre Major Should Read

Aeschylus	The Persians	(472 BC)
	The Orestia	(458 BC)
	Prometheus Bound	(456 BC)
Sophocles	Antigone	(442 BC)
	Oedipus Rex	(426 BC)
	Oedipus at Colonus	(406 BC)
Euripides	Medea	(431 BC)
	Electra	(417 BC)
	The Trojan Women	(415 BC)
	The Bacchae	(408 BC)
Aristophanes	The Birds	(414 BC)
	Lysistrata	(412 BC)
	The Frogs	(405 BC)
Plautus	The Twin Minaechmi	(195 BC)
Terence	The Brothers	(160 BC)
Anonymous	The Wakefield Creation	(1350-1450)
Anonymous	The Second Shepard's Play	(1350-1450)
Anonymous	Everyman	(1500)
Machiavelli	The Mandrake	(1520)
Udall	Ralph Roister Doister	(1550-1553)
Stevenson	Gammer Gurton's Needle	(1552-1563)
Kyd	The Spanish Tragedy	(1586)
Shakespeare	All of the Masters Works	
Marlowe	Dr. Faustus	(1588)
Jonson	Volpone	(1606)
	The Alchemist	(1610)
Webster	The Dutchess of Malfi	(1612)

Ford	Tis a Pity She's a Whore	(1629)
Calderon de Barca	Life is a Dream	(1635)
Comeille	The Cid	(1637)
Moliere	School for Wives	(1663)
	The Misanthrope	(1663)
	The Doctor in Spite of Himself	(1666)
	The Miser	(1668)
	Tartuffe	(1669)
	The Imaginary Invalid	(1673)
Wycherley	The Country Wife	(1672)
Dryden	All For Love	(1677)
Congreve	The Way of the World	(1700)
Farquhar	The Beaux Stratagem	(1707)
Gay	The Beggar's Opera	(1728)
Goldsmith	She Stoops to Conquer	(1773)
Sheridan	The Rivals	(1775)
	The School for Scandal	(1777)
Beaumarchais	The Barber of Seville	(1782)
Goethe	Faustus, Part 1	(1808)
Gogol	The Inspector General	(1842)
Turgenev	A Month in the Country	(1850)
Dumas	Camille	(1852)
Ibsen	A Doll's House	(1879)
	An Enemy of the People	(1882)
	Hedda Gabler	(1890)
Strindberg	Miss Julie	(1888)

Chekov	The Seagull	(1896)
	Uncle Vanya	(1899)
	The Three Sisters	(1900)
	The Cherry Orchard	(1903)
Wilde	The Importance of Being Earnest	(1895)
Shaw	Arms and the Man	(1894)
	Major Barbara	(1905)
	Misalliance	(1909)
	Pygmalion	(1912)
	St. Joan	(1923)
Synge	Playboy of the Western World	(1907)
Brecht	Threepenny Opera	(1928)
	The Good Woman of Setzuan	(1938)
	Mother Courage and Her Children	(1941)
	The Caucasian Chalk Circle	(1944)
Pirandello	Six Characters in Search of an Author	(1921)
O'Neill	The Emperor Jones	(1921)
	The Hairy Ape	(1922)
	Desire Under the Elms	(1924)
	Mourning Becomes Electra	(1931)
	Ah! Wilderness	(1933)
	Long Days Journey into the Night	(1941)
	The Iceman Cometh	(1946)
Coward	Hay Fever	(1925)
	Blythe Spirit	(1941)
Hellman	The Children's Hour	(1934)
	The Little Foxes	(1938)
Odets	Waiting for Lefty	(1935)
	Golden Boy	(1937)
Eliot	Murder in the Cathedral	(1935)
	The Cocktail Party	(1950)
Kaufman & Hart	You Can't Take it with You	(1936)
	The Man Who Came to Dinner	(1939)

Saroyan	The Time of your Life	(1939)
Kesslerling	Arsenic and Old Lace	(1941)
Anouilh	The Lark	(1953)
Camus	Caligula	(1945)
Giraudoux	The Madwoman of Chaillet	(1945)
Williams	The Glass Menagerie	(1945)
	A Streetcar Named Desire	(1947)
	A Cat on a Hot Tin Roof	(1954)
Kanin	Born Yesterday	(1946)
McCullers	A Member of the Wedding	(1946)
Miller, Arthur	Death of a Salesman	(1949)
	The Crucible	(1953)
	A View From the Bridge	(1955)
	The Price	(1968)
Ionesco	The Bald Soprano	(1950)
Inge	Picnic	(1953)
	Bus Stop	(1955)
Beckett	Waiting for Godot	(1953)
	Endgame	(1957)
Osborne	Look Back in Anger	(1956)
Frings	Look Homeward Angel	(1957)
Pinter	The Birthday Party	(1958)
	The Homecoming	(1965)
Hansberry	A Raisin in the Sun	(1959)
Weiss	Marat/Sade	(1959)
Albee	Zoo Story	(1960)
	Who's Afraid of Virginia Woolf	(1962)
	Three Tall Women	(1994)
Bolt	A Man for All Seasons	(1960)

Orton	What the Butler Saw	(1969)
Marcus	The Killing of Sister George	(1965)
Simon	The Odd Couple	(1965)
	Brighton Beach Memoirs	(1984)
	Biloxi Blues	(1985)
	Broadway Bound	(1986)
	Lost in Yonkers	(1991)
Wilson, Langford	5 <sup>th</sup> of July	(1978)
	Talley's Folley	(1980)
Stoppard	Rosencrantz and Guildenstern are Dead	(1966)
	Arcadia	(1993)
Nichols	Joe Egg	(1967)
Crowley	The Boys in the Band	(1968)
Kopit	Indians	(1969)
	Wings	(1978)
Guare	The House of Blue Leaves	(1970)
	Six Degrees of Separation	(1990)
Zindel	The Effects of Gamma Rays On Man-in-the-Moon Marigolds	(1971)
McNally	Frankie and Johnny	
	In the Clair de Lune	(1987)
	Master Class	(1995)
	Love! Valour! Compassion!	(1995)
Rabe	In the Boom Boom Room	(1972)
	Hurlyburly	(1984)
Fugard	Master Harold and the Boys	(1982)
Jones, Preston	A Texas Trilogy	(1973)
Medoff	When you Comin' Back, Red Ryder?	(1973)
Friedman	Steambath	(1973)

Miller, Jason	That Championship Season	(1973)
Ayckbourn	Absurd Person Singular	(1973)
	The Norman Conquests	(1973)
Shaffer	Equus	(1973)
	Amadeus	(1980)
Patrick	Kennedy's Children	(1975)
Mamet	American Buffalo	(1975)
	Sexual Perversty in Chicago	(1976)
	A Life in the Theatre	(1977)
	Glengarry Glenross	(1983)
	Speed the Plow	(1992)
Shange	For colored girls who have considered suicide when the rainbo isn't enough	(1976)
Cristofer	The Shadow Box	(1977)
Hare	Plenty	(1978)
Shepard	Buried Child	(1978)
	Fool for Love	(1979)
	True West	(1982)
	A Lie of the Mind	(1985)
Sharman	Bent	(1979)
Thompson	On Golden Pond	(1979)
Pomerance	The Elephant Man	(1979)
Fuller	A Soldier's Play	(1982)
Frayn	Noises Off	(1982)
Gurney	The Dining Room	(1982)
	Another Antigone	(1987)
Lucas	Reckless	(1983)
Howe	Painting Churches	(1983)

Wilson, August	The Piano Lesson Fences	(1986) (1987)
Hwang	M Butterfly	(1986)
Wertebaker	Our Country's Good	(1988)
Uhry	Driving Miss Daisy	(1988)
Wasserstein	The Heidi Chronicles	(1988)
Ives	All in the Timing	(1988)
Friel	Dancing at Lughnasa	(1990)
Kushner	Angels in America Perestroika	(1991) (1991)
McPherson	Marvin's Room	(1991)
Schenkkan	The Kentucky Cycle	(1992)
Foote	Young Man from Atlanta	(1995)
Vogel	How I Learned to Drive	(1997)