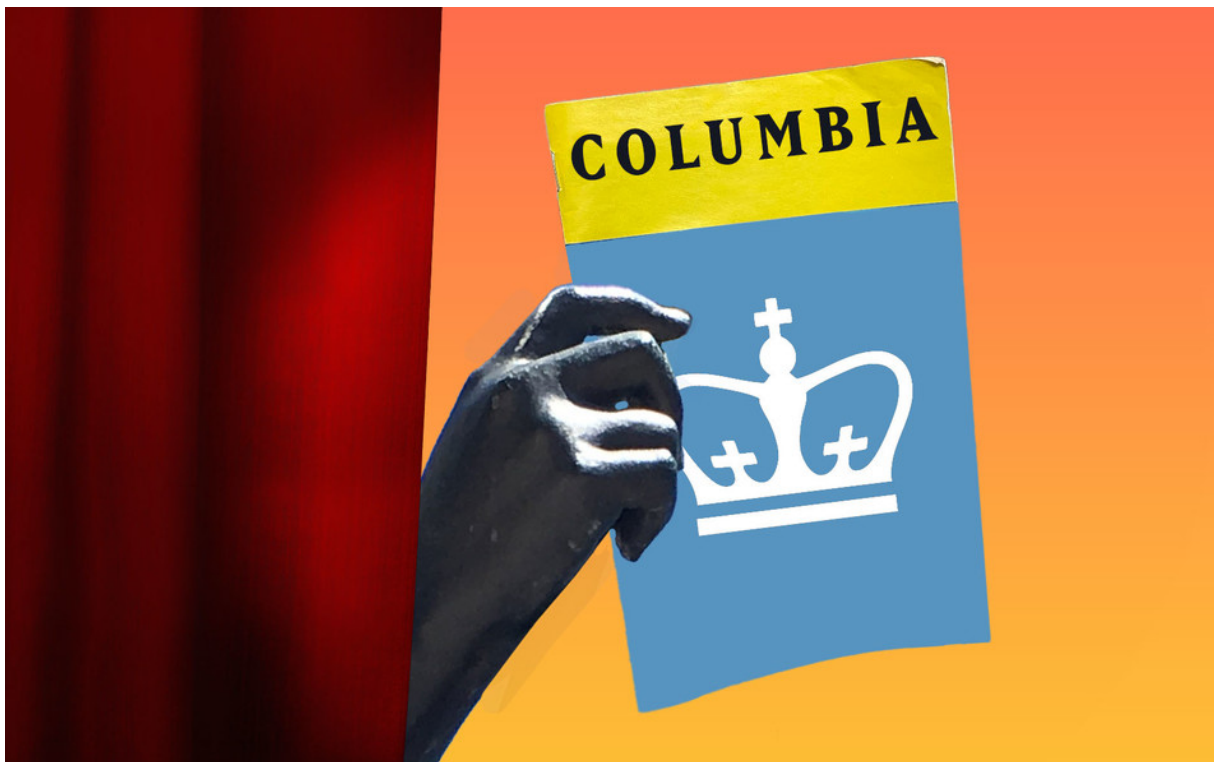


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## 4 New Broadway Shows from Columbia Graduates

Catch these plays and musicals from alumni directors, writers, and composers.

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### ***Fat Ham***

Saheem Ali '07SOA directs this Pulitzer Prize-winning contemporary [spin](#) on *Hamlet*, which stars Marcel Spears '15SOA as a queer college student who encounters a vengeful ghost in his backyard.

### ***Jaja's African Hair Braiding***

Ghanian-American writer Jocelyn Bioh '08SOA penned this [play](#), which is slated for premiere in fall 2023, about a community of West African hair braiders in Harlem.

### ***New York, New York***

This [stage adaptation](#) of Martin Scorsese's 1977 film musical of the same name uses the original songs by John Kander '54GSAS and Fred Ebb, as well as new ones with lyrics by Lin-Manuel Miranda.

### ***The Thanksgiving Play***

Written by Larissa FastHorse and directed by Rachel Chavkin '08SOA, this [satirical comedy](#) is about a theater troupe attempting to put on a "culturally sensitive" play about Thanksgiving.

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