

# A CELEBRATION OF BLACK COMPOSERS

**PLAYLIST**  
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# BLACK HISTORY MONTH

1. ——— QUINCY JONES

1933 - PRESENT

- ▶ Soul Bossa Nova
- ▶ Comin' Home Baby

2. ——— FLORENCE PRICE

1887 - 1953

- ▶ Symphony no.1 in E minor
- ▶ Fantasia Nègre



3. ——— DUKE ELLINGTON

1899 - 1974

- ▶ Ko Ko
- ▶ Cotton Tail

4. ——— ERROLLYN WALLEN

1958 - PRESENT

- ▶ Peace on Earth
- ▶ Woogie Boogie

5. ——— GEORGE WALKER

1922 - 2018

- ▶ Sinfonia no.5 "Visions"
- ▶ Lyric for strings

6. ——— ALEXIS FFRENCH

1970 - PRESENT

- ▶ Walk With Us
- ▶ Dreamland

7. ——— MARGARET BONDS

1913 - 1972

- ▶ Troubled Water
- ▶ Bright Star

8. ——— UNDINE SMITH MOORE

1913 - 1972

- ▶ Afro-American Suite for flute, cello & piano
- ▶ We shall walk through the valley in peace

9. ——— WILLIAM GRANT STILL

1895 - 1978

- ▶ Symphony no.1 "Afro-American"
- ▶ 3 Visions

10. ——— STORMZY

1993 - PRESENT

- ▶ Crown
- ▶ Blinded by Your Grace

11. ——— LAURYN HILL

1975 - PRESENT

- ▶ When it hurts so bad
- ▶ The Miseducation of Lauryn Hill



12. ——— HANNAH KENDALL

1984 - PRESENT

- ▶ Spark catchers
- ▶ Processional

13. ——— JOSEPH BOLOGNE

1745 - 1799

- ▶ Symphony no.1 in G major
- ▶ String quartet no.1 in C major

14. — SAMUEL COLERIDGE-TAYLOR

1875 - 1912

- ▶ Deep River
- ▶ Symphonic variations on an African Air

15. ——— DOLORES WHITE

1932 - PRESENT

- ▶ Blues Dialogues for Solo Violin
- ▶ Sometimes I'm Not Myself

16. ——— ELEANOR ALBERGA

1949 - PRESENT

- ▶ Suite from Dancing with the Shadow
- ▶ String Quartet no.1

17. ——— JAMES BROWN

1933 - 2006

- ▶ I Feel Good
- ▶ Papa's Got a Brand New Bag

18. ——— WYNTON MARSALIS

1961 - PRESENT

- ▶ At the Octoroon Balls
- ▶ Blues Symphony

19. ——— YOLANDA BROWN

1982 - PRESENT

- ▶ Tokyo Sunset
- ▶ Fine Lines

20. ——— JON BATISTE

1986 - PRESENT

- ▶ It's All Right (from Soul)
- ▶ We Are



21. — AYANNA WITTER-JOHNSON

1986 - PRESENT

- ▶ Movement - Variation II
- ▶ Rise Up

22. ——— FELA SOWANDE

1905 - 1987

- ▶ African Suite for String Orchestra
- ▶ Jubilate

23. ——— CELESTE

1994 - PRESENT

- ▶ Love is Back
- ▶ Stop this Flame

24. ——— NINA SIMONE

1933 - 2003

- ▶ Revolution
- ▶ I Ain't Got No, I Got Life



25. ——— LAURA MVULA

1986 - PRESENT

- ▶ Sing to the Moon
- ▶ Green Garden

26. ——— MILES DAVIS

1926 - 1991

- ▶ So What
- ▶ Love for Sale

27. ——— JESSIE MONTGOMERY


1981 - PRESENT

- ▶ Starburst
- ▶ Banner for string quartet & string orchestra

28. ——— JOHN COLTRANE

1926 - 1967

- ▶ Alabama
- ▶ Giant Steps



29. ——— TRACY CHAPMAN

1964 - PRESENT

- ▶ Fast Car
- ▶ Give Me One Reason

30. ——— RAY CHARLES

1930 - 2004

- ▶ What'd I Say
- ▶ I Got a Woman



31. ——— JULIA PERRY

1924 - 1979

- ▶ Study for Orchestra
- ▶ Stabat Mater

Black History Month is dedicated to celebrating and learning about Black heritage. It gives everyone the opportunity to recognise the achievements of and share appreciation of those with African or Caribbean backgrounds.

This calendar is a celebration of black composers and is intended to inspire everyone to explore the lives and works of these great musicians.

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