



Get Excited, Hamilton The Musical Is Coming Down Under

When: March 2021 Where: Lyric Theatre, Sydney

The musical tells the story of Alexander Hamilton's rise from a "bastard, orphan, son of a whore" to one of America's founding fathers and the first treasurer of the United States. It is described as the story of America then, as told by America now. It has been critically acclaimed the world over for turning the language of musical theatre away from "show tunes" and instead using rap, hip-hop and R&B for the music. Lin wrote the role of George Washington for a friend who is a man of colour and a hip-hop artist, he was going to play Hamilton and he is Latino American. If you are writing a show that employs hip-hop as such a strong element, it is organic that the performers are diverse," he said "Hip-hop is a pure experience of the African American community, it made perfect sense to have the people playing these roles, singing R&B, singing hip-hop, to be from those communities because we were choosing people to serve the music and the lyrics." When *Hamilton* opened on Broadway in 2015, it was initially seen as a risky project, with its combination of history, modern politics and contemporary music. Audiences at the time were flocking to musical adaptations of familiar brands, such as *The Lion King* and *Aladdin*. But it was an immediate success, with *The New York Times* chief theatre critic Ben Brantley suggesting people might want to mortgage their houses and lease their children in order to secure tickets to see it.

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