

Lorraine Hansberry: A playwright with her own rights

Lorraine Hansberry was the granddaughter of a freed enslaved person.

Lorraine attended the University of Wisconsin in Madison breaking her family's tradition of enrolling into black colleges.

In 1956, Lorraine quit her job and committed to her writing also joining with the daughters of Bilitis.

Her play went on to be revived and win Tony awards

L.H was an African American playwright and activist. The first Black playwright.

L.H's breakout moment was a play she wrote called "The Crystal Stair" later calling it "A Raisin in the Sun". The play was a great success accumulating 530 performances.

Lorraine was the first Black playwright and winner of the New York Critics' Circle award.

In 1963, Lorraine became active in the Civil rights movement after becoming a public figure. She died two years later due to Cancer.

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