

INDIVIDUAL BIO FOR LYNN AHRENS (223 words)

Lynn Ahrens is a lyricist and librettist with an extensive career in theater, film and television. With longtime collaborator Stephen Flaherty, she won Tony, Drama Desk and Outer Critics Circle Awards for the Broadway musical *Ragtime* and was nominated for two Academy Awards and two Golden Globes for Twentieth Century Fox's animated feature film, *Anastasia*, which they also adapted for Broadway. Additional Broadway: *Once On This Island*, (Tony Award, Best Revival); *Seussical* (one of the most produced shows in America); Madison Square Garden's *A Christmas Carol* (composer Alan Menken); *My Favorite Year*; *Rocky*; *Chita Rivera: The Dancer's Life*. Off-Broadway: *Lucky Stiff*; *A Man of No Importance*; *Dessa Rose*; *The Glorious Ones*; Upcoming: *Knoxville*; *Little Dancer*. Film: Lyrics for *Anastasia*, *Camp*, *After the Storm*, *Lucky Stiff*, *Nasrin*. Ahrens has been nominated for four Grammys and won the Emmy for her work in network television. She's a mainstay singer/songwriter for the classic animated series *Schoolhouse Rock*. Her short stories and essays have been published nationally and her work has been nominated for Best American Essays and the Pushcart Anthology. She serves on Council for the Dramatists Guild of America and co-founded the DGF Fellows Program for Emerging Writers with Stephen Flaherty. In 2014 Ahrens and Flaherty received the Oscar Hammerstein Award for Lifetime Achievement and in 2015 they were inducted into the Theater Hall of Fame. www.ahrensandflaherty.com