

Lin-Manuel Miranda



Lived: January 16 1980

New York, New York

Fame: Composer, lyricist, actor, playwright, television producer

Miranda changed history- the success of "Hamilton" caused the US Treasury to cancel plans of replacing the founding father on the \$10 bill.

Miranda is not only known for Broadway shows- he wrote the new cantina song for *Star Wars: The Force Awakens*, as well as giving his voice to the character "Shag Kava" in the film.

"I have so many questions for Jesus. Listen, I grew up Catholic, so I just want to separate what really happened versus what grown-ups are saying. I have so many questions... I feel He'd know."

Though he is most well-known for his hip-hop musical "Hamilton," this isn't the first one of its kind. Miranda wrote "In the Heights" about the neighborhood he grew up in, which came to Broadway in 2008.

Lin-Manuel Miranda wrote the song "Shiny" (from *Moana*) drawing inspiration from David Bowie.