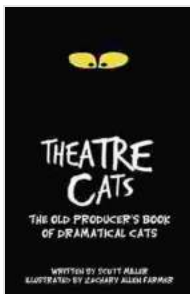


Andrew Lloyd Webber: The Old Producer of Dramatical Cats

Andrew Lloyd Webber, Baron Lloyd-Webber, is an English composer and impresario. He is best known for composing musicals, including *Cats*, *The Phantom of the Opera*, *Evita*, and *Jesus Christ Superstar*. Lloyd Webber's musicals have been performed in more than 50 countries and have been translated into more than 20 languages. He has won seven Tony Awards, three Grammy Awards, and an Olivier Award. Lloyd Webber was knighted in 1992 and made a life peer in 1997.

Early Life and Career

Andrew Lloyd Webber was born on March 22, 1948, in London, England. He began studying piano at the age of five and later attended Westminster School and the Royal College of Music. Lloyd Webber's early compositions were mostly for the stage, including *The Likes of Us* (1965) and *Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat* (1968).



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In 1971, Lloyd Webber collaborated with lyricist Tim Rice on the rock opera *Jesus Christ Superstar*. The musical was a huge success, and it helped to launch Lloyd Webber's career as a composer of musicals. Lloyd Webber and Rice went on to collaborate on several other musicals, including *Evita* (1978) and *Sunset Boulevard* (1994).

Cats



In 1981, Lloyd Webber composed the music for the musical *Cats*. The musical was based on T.S. Eliot's 1939 book of poems, *Old Possum's Book of Practical Cats*. *Cats* was a huge success, and it ran for 21 years on Broadway. The musical has also been performed in London's West End and in more than 30 other countries.

Cats is a unique musical in that it does not have a traditional plot. The musical is instead a series of scenes that depict the lives of a group of cats. The cats sing and dance about their lives and their relationships with each other.

Cats has been praised for its innovative staging and its catchy music. The musical has also been criticized for its lack of a traditional plot and its repetitive nature. However, *Cats* remains one of the most popular musicals in the world.

Later Career

Lloyd Webber has continued to compose musicals after the success of *Cats*. Some of his other notable musicals include *Starlight Express* (1984), *The Phantom of the Opera* (1986), and *Whistle Down the Wind* (1996).

Lloyd Webber has also been involved in other aspects of the musical theatre industry. He has produced several musicals, including *Cats*, *The Phantom of the Opera*, and *Evita*. He has also founded several theatre companies, including the Really Useful Theatre Company and the Andrew Lloyd Webber Foundation.

Lloyd Webber is one of the most successful composers of musicals in the world. His musicals have been seen by millions of people and have won numerous awards. Lloyd Webber is a talented composer and a gifted producer. He is a major force in the musical theatre industry.

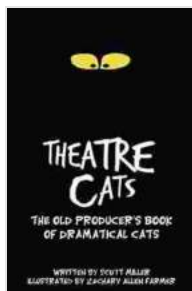
Andrew Lloyd Webber's Awards and Honors

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