

David Simpatico's career highlights include: the book/stage adaptation of *Disney's High School Musical*; *The Screams of Kitty Genovese* (Jonathan Larson Award; music by Will Todd); *Garden of Light*, libretto for choral symphony, with composer Aaron Jay Kernis. His musical adaptation of *Twelve Angry Men*, music and lyrics by Michael Holland, received its world premiere production in June, 2022 at Theater Latte Da in Minneapolis, directed by Peter Rothstein. His grand opera, *The Life and Death(s) of Alan Turing*, with music by Justine F. Chen, received its world premiere at Chicago Opera Theater in March, 2023, also directed by Peter Rothstein. He is currently adapting Wally Lamb's *She's Come Undone*, with co-bookwriter Darrah Cloud, and composer/lyricist, Michael Holland. He is also working on *That Hellbound Train*, a new jazz opera with composer Lisa DeSpain, based on the short story by Robert Bloch. His play, *Ex-Gay Bar*, was named Honorable Mention in the Carlo Annoni International Playwriting Award, as well as receiving the inaugural Voices For Change Action Grant by ArtsWestchester. Most recently, his oratorio adaptation of *Dickens's A Christmas Carol*, with score by Will Todd, received its first production with Opera Holland Park at Sinfonia Smith Square in London, Dec, 2024.