



HINTON BATTLE

BROADWAY JAZZ

Three-time *Tony® Award winner Hinton Battle is recognized as one of Broadway's most respected musical stars as a dancer, singer, choreographer, producer and writer. He was scouted by the prestigious School of American Ballet and received a full scholarship under George Balanchine. Battle debuted on Broadway at age 15 as the Scarecrow in the musical *The Wiz* to critical acclaim. His career has since spanned over three decades with award winning performances in the most successful musicals in Broadway history – *Dancin'*, *Dreamgirls*, **Sophisticated Ladies*, *Chicago*, *Ragtime*, **Miss Saigon* and **The Tap Dance Kid*. He has appeared in fifteen films and television programs, including the feature film *Dreamgirls* in which he played opposite Jamie Foxx and Beyonce, *Touched by an Angel*, *Quantum Leap*, *Child Star: The Shirley Temple Story*, *These Old Broads*, *Foreign Student*, *Sweet*, *Buffy The Vampire Slayer* and *Smash*.

As a choreographer, Hinton's credits include the 65th and 66th Academy Awards, the feature film *Idlewild* featuring Outkast, a film for which he created a new dance style called 'SWOP' (a fusion of swing and hip-hop styles). He has directed and choreographed ballets for the Baltimore School of the Arts, Washington Reflections Dance Company, and Philadanco. Battle has directed and choreographed the Off-Broadway musicals *Respect*,

The Marvelous Wonderettes, *Evil Dead: The Musical* and he is currently one of the producers of the hit Off-Broadway show, *Sistas: The Musical* at the St. Luke's Theatre in New York City. As author, producer and director, his accomplishments include, *Love Lies*, starring Grammy Award-winners Brian McKnight and Angie Stone. In 2017, Battle launched his international dance school, The Hinton Battle Dance Academy in Japan to train future dancers for the global stage.

Hinton's awards include NAACP Image Awards, Midtown International Theatre Festival Award, Fred Astaire Award, Ira Aldridge Award, the Choreographer Media Honor, Planet Connection Award, the 2012 Champion of the Arts Award from Big Boi's "Antwan Patten" Big Kidz Foundation, the Amas 2014 Rosie Award for lifetime achievement in recognition of extraordinary accomplishment in theatrical arts, and the 2016 International Acclaim Award from The International Association of Blacks in Dance.

