

WILLOW JAMES

Sound Designer & Composer



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Selected Credits

*= new play or world/regional premiere

^= musical/play with music

*You Will Get Sick**
Anna in the Tropics
Hymn^
A Raisin in the Sun
*Fat Ham**
Nat Turner in Jerusalem
Sanctuary City
The Hot Wing King
The Flying Lovers of Vitebsk^
Don't Let the Pigeon Drive the Bus!^
How I Learned What I Learned^
The Penelopiad^
*An Educated Guess**
*Stokely: The Unfinished Revolution***
The Nacirema Society
Twelfth Night^
*Chlorine Sky**
The Royale
*Welcome to Matteson**
*Alaiyo**
*The Band's Visit^**
*Hundreds and Hundreds of Stars**
Shakespeare in the Parks^
*How Blood Go**
Antigone^
Magnolia Ballet
Me...Jane^
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Steppenwolf Theatre
American Players Theatre
Chicago Shakespeare Theater
Court Theatre
Goodman Theatre/Definition Theatre
American Players Theatre
Next Act Theatre
Writers Theatre
Northlight Theatre
Marriott Theatre
Congo Square Theatre
Goodman Theatre
Definition Theatre
Court Theatre
Goodman Theatre
Chicago Shakespeare Theater
Steppenwolf Theatre
American Players Theatre
Congo Square Theatre
Definition Theatre
TheatreSquared/Writers Theatre
Teatro Vista
Chicago Shakespeare Theater
Congo Square Theatre
Court Theatre
Alleyway Theatre
Wirtz Center for the Performing Arts
Victory Gardens Theatre

Dir. Audrey Francis
Dir. Robert Ramirez
Dir. Ron OJ Parson
Dir. Gabrielle Randle-Bent
Dir. Tyrone Phillips
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Dir. Jake Penner
Dir. Lili-Anne Brown
Dir. Elizabeth Margolius
Dir. Lorenzo Rush Jr.
Dir. Ken-Matt Martin
Dir. Susan V. Booth
Dir. Tyrone Phillips
Dir. Tasia A. Jones
Dir. Lili-Anne Brown
Dir. Tyrone Phillips
Dir. Ericka Ratcliff
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Dir. McKenzie Chinn
Dir. Zi Alikhan
Dir. Wendy Mateo
Dir. Tor Campbell
Dir. Tiffany Fulson
Dir. Gabrielle Randle-Bent
Dir. Carlos R.A. Jones
Dir. Rives Collins
Dir. Lili-Anne Brown

Digital Audio (Engineer, Mix/Master, Design & Post-Production)

The Clinic Audio Series* (Szn 2 & 3)
The Color Purple Audio Experience
We Women Podcast
Goods*

Congo Square Theatre
OurSomewhere Digital Prod.
Artemisia Theatre
Artemisia Theatre

Dir. Javon Johnson
Dir. Malinda Parris + Joey Stone
Pro. Julie Proudfoot + Willow James
Dir. E. Faye Butler

Education & Training

Connecticut College
B.A., Theatre

Berklee College of Music
Music Production Certificate

Steppenwolf Theatre
Internship in Audio Engineering & Sound Design

Recognition

Newcity Stage Magazine
Players 50 2025: Theater

Joseph Jefferson Award (Equity, Nom.)
How Blood Go-Congo Square Theatre

BroadwayWorld Chicago Regional Award (Nom.)
Best Sound Design of a Play or Musical
(Nomination)
White, Definition Theatre

Joseph Jefferson Award (Equity, Nom.)
You Will Get Sick, Steppenwolf Theatre

Black Theatre Alliance Award (Win)
Best Sound Design
cullud wattah, Victory Gardens Theatre

Joseph Jefferson Award (Non-Equity, Nom.)
Botticelli in the Fire, First Floor Theater