

BROADWAY DIVAS

What is a Broadway Diva? There are many attributes that define “Diva,” and we will discuss them all with clips of the multi-talented, larger-than-life divas of Broadway. Join us on Zoom as we watch and dissect some of the performances of Al Jolson, Ethel Merman, Carol Channing, Zero Mostel, Patti Lupone and many more. You’ll be, “Ready for you close-up,” at the end of the course.

Part 1: Early Broadway Divas

Everybody loves a Broadway Diva. Let’s explore some early Diva performances of Al Jolson, Fanny Brice, Eddie Cantor, and Ethel Merman just to name a few.

Part 2: One Named Divas

Sometimes a Broadway Diva has two names and sometimes all they need is one. Let’s explore some one and two named Divas. We can all use a little Judy, Liza, Chita, and Zero in these hard times.

Part 3: Battling Divas

Do Divas always get along? Sometimes! Let’s discuss the performances and relationships of Patti LuPone, Glenn Close, Mary Martin , and Carol Channing among others.

Part 4: Broadway Divas to the Present

Do Broadway Divas still exist. If you have seen Bernadette Peters, Bette Midler, Hugh Jackman, or Sutton Foster how could you doubt it. Let's explore some past divas and some new ones.