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Chimamanda Ngozi Adichie (born Grace Ngozi Adichie; 15 September 1977) is a Nigerian writer of novels, short stories, poem, and children's books; she is also a book reviewer and literary critic. Her most famous works include Purple Hibiscus (2003), Half of a Yellow Sun (2006), and Americanah (2013). She is widely recognised as a central figure in postcolonial feminist literature.

Born into an Igbo family in Enugu, Nigeria, Adichie was educated at the University of Nigeria in Nsukka, where she studied medicine for a year and half. She left Nigeria at the age of 19 to study in the United States at Drexel University in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, and went on to study at a further three universities in the U.S.: Eastern Connecticut State University, Johns Hopkins University, and Yale University.

Many of Adichie's novels are set in Nsukka, where she grew up. She started writing during her university education. She first wrote Decisions (1997), a poetry collection, followed by a play, For Love of Biafra (1998). She achieved early success with her debut novel, Purple Hibiscus. Adichie has written many works and has cited Chinua Achebe and Buchi Emecheta as inspirations, and Adichie's writing style juxtaposes Western and African influences, with particular influence from Igbo culture. Most of her works explore the themes of religion, immigration, gender and culture.

Adichie uses fashion as a medium to break down stereotypes, and in 2018 was recognised with a Shorty Award for her "Wear Nigerian Campaign". She has a successful speaking career: her 2009 TED Talk "The Danger of a Single Story" is one of the most viewed TED Talks; her 2012 talk, "We Should All Be Feminists", was sampled by American singer Beyoncé, as well as being featured on a T-shirt by Dior in 2016. Adichie's awards and honours include academic and literary prizes, fellowships, grants, honorary degrees, and other high recognition, such as a MacArthur Fellowship in 2008 and induction into the American Academy of Arts and Sciences in 2017.

Danai Gurira

Danai Gurira's Americanah; Series Not Moving Forward at HBO Max (EXCLUSIVE)". Variety. "Lupita Nyong'o and Danai Gurira's Americanah; series not moving

Danai Jekesai Gurira (; born February 14, 1978) is a Zimbabwean-American actress, playwright, producer and activist. She is known for her starring roles as Michonne in the AMC horror drama franchise The Walking Dead and Okoye in the Marvel Cinematic Universe. Her films have grossed \$6.98 billion dollars,

making her the seventh highest-grossing actress of all time.

As a playwright, she has won an Obie Award and, among other works, wrote the Broadway play *Eclipsed*, which was nominated for a Tony Award for Best Play. For *Eclipsed*, she also received a Helen Hayes Award, a Drama Desk Award, and an NAACP Theatre Award, and was nominated for a New York Drama Critics' Circle Award. In 2023, she was honored with the TIME100 Impact Award.

Uzo Aduba

She was cast to star opposite Lupita Nyong'o in the HBO Max miniseries Americanah written by Danai Gurira that was ultimately unproduced. Aduba also was

Uzoamaka Nwanneka "Uzo" Aduba () (; born February 10, 1981) is an American actress. Her accolades include three Emmy Awards and five Screen Actors Guild Awards, in addition to nominations for three Golden Globe Awards and one Tony Award. She is one of only two actors to win an Emmy Award in both the comedy and drama categories for the same role, the other being Ed Asner.

Aduba has appeared in films including *American Pastoral* (2016), *My Little Pony: The Movie* (2017), *Candy Jar* (2018), *Steven Universe: The Movie* (2019), *Miss Virginia* (2019), *National Champions* (2021), and *Lightyear* (2022).

She gained wide recognition for her role as Suzanne "Crazy Eyes" Warren on the Netflix original series *Orange Is the New Black* (2013–2019). Her performance won an Emmy Award for Outstanding Guest Actress in a Comedy Series in 2014, an Emmy Award for Outstanding Supporting Actress in a Drama Series in 2015, and two SAG Awards for Outstanding Performance by a Female Actor in a Comedy Series in 2014 and 2015. In 2020, Aduba played Shirley Chisholm in the Hulu miniseries *Mrs. America*, for which she won an Emmy Award for Outstanding Supporting Actress in a Limited Series or Movie and the Critics' Choice Television Award for Best Supporting Actress in a Movie/Miniseries. In 2021, she starred in Lynn Nottage's play *Clyde's* on Broadway for which she was nominated for the Tony Award for Best Featured Actress in a Play. Aduba starred in the 2025 Netflix series *The Residence*, earning a nomination for Outstanding Lead Actress in a Comedy Series at the 77th Primetime Emmy Awards.

Zikora

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Americana

DeLillo Americana (Sides book), a 2004 non-fiction book by Hampton Sides Americanah, a 2013 novel by Chimamanda Ngozi Adichie Encyclopedia Americana, an encyclopedia

Americana may refer to:

Americana (culture), artifacts of the culture of the United States

Americana music, a genre or style of American music

David Oyelowo

Lupita Nyong'o in a film adaptation of the Chimamanda Ngozi Adichie novel Americanah but scheduling conflicts meant the project never moved forward. In February

David Oyetokunbo Oyelowo (oh-YEL-oh-woh; ; born 1 April 1976) is a British actor, director and producer. His accolades include a Critics' Choice Award and two NAACP Image Awards as well as nominations for three Golden Globe Awards, two Primetime Emmy Awards, a Screen Actors Guild Award, and a BAFTA Award. In 2016, he was appointed an Officer of the Order of the British Empire (OBE) for his services to drama.

Oyelowo rose to prominence for portraying Martin Luther King Jr. in the biographical drama film *Selma* (2014) and Peter Snowden in the HBO film *Nightingale* (2014), both of which garnered him critical acclaim. He also achieved praise for his roles as Louis Gaines in *The Butler* (2013), Seretse Khama in *A United Kingdom* (2016) and Robert Katende in *Queen of Katwe* (2016). He has also played supporting roles in the films *Rise of the Planet of the Apes* (2011), *The Help* (2011), *Lincoln* (2012), *Red Tails* (2012), and *Jack Reacher* (2012).

On television, Oyelowo has played MI5 officer Danny Hunter in the British drama series *Spooks* (2002–2004) and Javert in the BBC miniseries *Les Misérables* (2018). He also provided the voice for Agent Aleksandr Kallus in the Lucasfilm Animation series *Star Wars Rebels* (2014–2018) and Holston Becker in the Apple+ drama series *Silo*. He stars in and co-produces the 2023 Paramount+ western series *Lawmen: Bass Reeves*.

Philadelphia Main Line

Series, by W.E.B. Griffin. The main character, Matt Payne, is from Merion. Americanah, by Chimamanda Ngozi Adichie. The main character gets assaulted by a tennis

The Philadelphia Main Line, known simply as the Main Line, is an informally delineated historical and social region of suburban Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. Lying along the former Pennsylvania Railroad's once prestigious Main Line, it runs northwest from Center City Philadelphia parallel to Philadelphia and Lancaster Turnpike, also known as U.S. Route 30.

The railroad first connected the Main Line towns in the 19th century. They became home to sprawling country estates belonging to Philadelphia's wealthiest families, and over the decades became a bastion of "old money". The Main Line includes some of the wealthiest communities in the country, including Gladwyne, Villanova, Radnor, Haverford, and Merion. Today, the railroad is Amtrak's Keystone Corridor, along which SEPTA's Paoli/Thorndale Line operates.

List of awards and honours received by Chimamanda Ngozi Adichie

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Chimamanda Ngozi Adichie is a Nigerian author. She has won numerous accolades for her works, including general literature prizes and academic honours. Her short stories have garnered multiple awards including the O. Henry Award for "The American Embassy" and BBC National Short Story Award for "That Harmattan Morning". Adichie's first novel, *Purple Hibiscus*, won the Best First Book category of the Commonwealth Writers' Prize, and the Hurston/Wright Legacy Award for Best Debut Fiction in 2005. Since the paperback publication of her second novel *Half of a Yellow Sun* in 2007, *The Guardian* reported that it had sold only 187,000 copies, yet won the Women's Prize for Fiction – which was then the Orange Broadband Prize for Fiction – for which it competed against a book by a Man Booker Prize winner (Kiran Desai's *The Inheritance of Loss*) and a US bestseller (Anne Tyler's *Digging to America*). Along with Ernest Hardy, Harryette Mullen, and Alberto Ríos, she also won the PEN Beyond Margins Award. Her third novel, *Americanah*, won the National Book Critics Circle Award for Fiction in 2013. Her short story collection, *The Thing Around Your*

Neck, was nominated for the Dayton Literary Peace Prize in 2010 and her book-length essay *Dear Ijeawele, or A Feminist Manifesto in Fifteen Suggestions* won the PEN Pinter Prize, and the Grand Prix de l'héroïne Madame Figaro for its French translation. Adichie's fourth novel *Dream Count* was longlisted for the Women's Prize for Fiction in 2025.

Adichie's early career awards include The Future Awards Africa for Young Person of the Year and MacArthur Foundation's "genius grant", both in 2008. In 2013, she was listed in the "100 Most Influential Africans" by *New African*; CNN named her among the "Leading Women of 2014"; Time named her in its 100 Most Influential People in 2015; the fashion magazine *Vanity Fair* listed her in the "International Best Dressed List" of 2016. In November 2019, she became the first Nigerian and first African woman to receive the United Nations Global Leadership Award for which she was cited as "using literature and storytelling to connect with people across generations and cultures on issues of gender and racial equality and being a leader on the frontlines of global progress"; in September 2019, she was awarded the "Prism of Reason", a citizens' award, in Kassel, Germany for "her literary contributions and her advocacy for human rights and diversity". Later awards include the Action Against Hunger humanitarian award in 2018 for her "significant contributions in the humanitarian field" and the Belle van Zuylenring in 2020 for her "contributions to humanity through her literary works and her public engagements which have played huge roles in effecting change and a better understanding of issues such as identity and feminism". In 2022 Adichie rejected the Order of the Federal Republic, a national honour by President Muhammadu Buhari.

Academic bodies have bestowed multiple honours on Adichie. She has received honorary degrees from many universities, among them Eastern Connecticut State University, Yale University, Johns Hopkins University, University of Edinburgh, Duke University, Georgetown University, and the University of Johannesburg. In 2022, Adichie was awarded the W. E. B. Du Bois Medal, Harvard University's highest honour. Her other honours include election into the American Academy of Arts and Sciences and American Academy of Arts and Letters, both in 2017.

Adjoa Andoh

Okorafor's novel Lagoon with Ben Onwukwe, and Chimamanda Ngozi Adichie's Americanah. She narrated The Power by Naomi Alderman, former President Barack Obama's

Adjoa Aiboom Helen Andoh MBE (; born 14 January 1963) is a British actress. She is best known for her role as Lady Danbury in the Netflix Regency romance series *Bridgerton*, since 2020. Other roles on television include appearances in two series of *Doctor Who* as Francine Jones, 90 episodes of the BBC's long-running medical drama *Casualty* and *EastEnders*. On stage, she has played lead roles with the Royal Shakespeare Company, the National Theatre, the Royal Court Theatre, and the Almeida Theatre. Andoh made her Hollywood debut in autumn 2009, starring as Nelson Mandela's chief of staff Brenda Mazibuko alongside Morgan Freeman as Mandela in *Invictus*, and has appeared in other feature films.

In July 2022, Andoh became an honorary fellow of the Royal Society of Literature, and in June 2025 was appointed Member of the Order of the British Empire (MBE).

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