

Prolific American Composers

Duke Ellington	nearly 2,000
Crawford Gates	1,231 (1-6-2026)
Richard Rodgers	over 900 of Rodgers & Hammerstein
Henry Mancini	over 650
Robert Russell Bennett	400+, incl 300 musicals
George Gershwin	over 500
Leonard Bernstein	over 500 recordings of his works
Charles Ives	est. 347
Philip Glass	316
John Cage	upwards of 260
Samuel Barber	160
Aaron Copland	est. 125
John Williams	circa 124 films, many concert pieces

Data from: Wikipedia, Kennedy Center Program, Google AI Searches, rosewhitemusic.com/cage worklist

Prolific Composers in History - Globally

G.P. Telemann	over 3,000 (Guinness World Book of Records)
Orlando di Lasso	circa 2,000
Franz Schubert	1,500
Crawford Gates	1,231 (1-6-2026)
J.S. Bach	1,100
Antonio Vivaldi	circa 800
W. A Mozart	circa 600
Alan Hovhannes	over 500

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