"The Ted and Mary Jo Shen Charitable Gift Fund, which is committed to supporting and encouraging excellence, originality and high aspiration in musical theatre music-writing, believes Signature Theatre is the ideal home for this unique project," said Theodore P. Shen, Chairman of the Foundation. "Only an organization like Signature, which has established itself as a leading force in the country in revitalizing musical theatre through its commitment to and artistic success in reinventing musical classics and developing new works, could undertake such a bold and exemplary initiative to commission and produce three new musicals from scratch. And Signature's new building, with its two flexible black box spaces designed with outstanding acoustics for musical theater together with its three rehearsal rooms, provides the perfect venue for developing the commissioned works from start to finish."