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- Black guys in comics tend to have electricity-based powers (Coldcast, Jakeem Thunder, Black Lightning, Static, etc.), causing their eyes to crackle with electricity when they get mad (which seems to happen quite a bit with black guys in comics...)

- Pyrokinetics almost always have red hair and a temper and often have a history of mental trauma that either caused or was the result of the outbreak of their powers, as in the case of Liz Sherman (BPRD), Magma (X-men), Lee Jackson (Rising Stars), Rusty Collins/Firefist (X-Men).

- Gay men and/or transvestites in comics have are usually either shape-shifters or controllers of light or shadow. Examples of the former include Josiah Power (Power Company), Flatman (Great Lakes Champions), Anole (New Mutants), Hulkling (Young Avengers), Tasmanian Devil (JLI), Vivisector, Phat and Bloke (X-Statix). Examples of the latter include Obsidian (JSA), Sanctuary (Rising Stars), and Northstar.

There are plenty of other stereotypes, but I can't think of them right now.