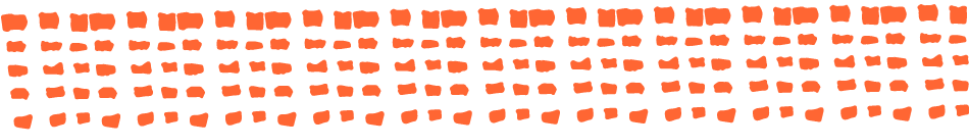


# SOUL TRAIN

American music variety television show, the first to prominently feature African American musical acts and dancers. Broadcast nationally from 1971 to 2006, it was one of the longest-running syndicated programs in American television history.



Soul Train created the environment of a dance club and featured a variety of noted musical performers as well as **both professional and amateur dancers.**

Like other styles of African-American musical expression including

**jazz,**  
soul music

and **R&B,**

funk music accompanied many protest movements during and after the Civil Rights Movement.

## FUNK IS A MUSIC GENRE

Funk Styles or funk dance refer to dance styles that are primarily danced to funk music. More specifically they can be used for a group of street dance styles that originated in the 1970s, mainly associated with popping and locking.

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The 1970s were the era of **highest mainstream visibility** for funk music.

Funk is a music genre that originated in African American communities in the mid-1960s when African American musicians created a rhythmic, danceable new form of music through a mixture of soul music, jazz, and rhythm and blues.

Funk allowed everyday **experiences to be expressed** to challenge daily struggles and hardships fought by lower and working class communities.

