



Step It Up and Go

Book Club Kit

Provided by NC Humanities

Step It Up and Go: The Story of North Carolina Popular Music by David Menconi was one of NC Humanities' North Carolina Reads books for 2023. These discussion questions were created as part of that program.

You can also watch NC Humanities' panel discussion on the book here:

https://youtu.be/E_XYMjvj1MY?feature=shared

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

- 1) North Carolina has a national reputation as a musical state. What are the various kinds of music you can find throughout the state? Is there a particular style of music or musician you associate with North Carolina?
- 2) What factors contributed to the development of so many different styles and genres of music in North Carolina?
- 3) How does North Carolina music reflect cultural and social influences over time?
- 4) What kinds of contributions did artists in North Carolina make in their musical careers?
- 5) Why do some songs and artists remain relevant and popular across generations?
- 6) What is your favorite North Carolina music genre, artist, or song?

