

Square Dance



In 1990, Governor James Thompson signed into law a bill designating the Square Dance as the American folk dance of the state. "Square dance" is a term used to describe many individual dances done in a style that traces its origins to Morris dancing in England and French dancing with influences of Irish, Spanish and Scottish dancing thrown in. It was revived in the 1950s and remains a popular pastime.







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