



BUENA VISTA SOCIAL CLUB



Timeline

1932	1962	1962-1996	1996	2015
Buena Vista Social Club is created in Havana, Cuba	Many clubs are shut down including the Buena Vista Social Club	Salsa, jazz, and funk music become more popular	Ry Cooder travels to Havana and records with Cuban musicians	The Buena Vista Social Club perform in the White House

Key Compositions

Chan Chan	Written by Compay Segundo and their most well-known song.
El Cuarto de Tula	This features a laúd (lute) solo at the end. A laúd is a 12-stringed Spanish guitar.
El carretero	A country song about losing someone you love. Company Segundo and Ibrahim Ferrer both sing on this song.
Pueblo Nuevo	A song about different in Havana.
Buena Vista Social Club	A song about the Cuban club where many musicians used to play.



DID YOU KNOW?



They were invited to play at the White House (home of the president of USA) in 2015.

About the Band

Members of the Group

- *Ibrahim Ferrer* (1927-2005) He was shining shoes for extra money in his until he sang on the Buena Vista Social Club album. He then won a music award and travelled Europe.
- *Omara Portuondo* (1930 - present) She sang with Nat King Cole and had a successful career during the 1970s and 1980s. She then sang with Ferrer on the Buena Vista Social Club album.
- *Compay Segundo* (1907-2003) A guitarist and clarinetist who even invented his own instrument, the armónico, a seven-string type of guitar.

Key Information

Son Cubano Music

This style of music came from Cuba around the 1910s.

It mixed Spanish and African music. African rhythms were brought over from Africa.

The guitar, trumpet, double bass and bongo drums all became the usual instruments and it led to many other forms of music such as salsa, rumba and timba.