

Rising from the fertile musical soil of *Queens, New York*, a group of musicians formed a tight bond and called themselves the *Jamaica Kats*.

Under the tutelage of elders *Weldon Irvine* and *Lenny White*, the Kats perfected a modern fusion of jazz and funk, culminating in trumpeter *Tom Browne's* 1980 hit,

“Funkin’ for Jamaica”

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