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The five consonant types are denoted by the portion of the mouth most critical to each type's production: throat, or larynx hou ; tongue she ; molars, or the jaws and palate chi ; front teeth ya ; and lips chun. However, it is still very much alive.

Actors in Cultural Role

It is an amalgamation of various art forms that existed in ancient China, and evolved gradually over more than a thousand years, reaching its mature form in the 13th century, during the 960—1279. The first Western-type theatre house, built by the Chinese themselves, was the New Shanghai Stage, which was opened in 1908. The xipi style also uses several unique tempos, including erliu 'two-six' , and kuaiban a fast tempo.

Peking opera

Video not visible YouTube video of make-up process for opera The female opera roles were played by young men as it was considered indecent for men and women to work together as actors. The birth year of Peking Opera is commonly set at 1790, the year of the eightieth birthday of the Qianlong Emperor. Chou roles can be divided into Wen Chou, civilian roles such as and jailers, and Wu Chou, minor military roles.

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Actors shake these flags to represent waves, fire, wind, or moving vehicles. It is among the most elaborate makeup systems in all of Chinese Opera, with different shades of color and shapes, particularly on the forehead, indicating the mental state, trustworthiness, and physical health of the characters. The final type of musical accompaniment is the percussion pattern.

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