

## Passing Strange Resources

### Identity Song & The Black One Character Appreciations

At Portland Playhouse, we like to ensure our audience can access some of the resources we use for our production visuals. Therefore, we chose to source the materials via the internet and would like to share the links to the material as an informational journey for our audience. Please find the links to all the resources used for the Identity Song Backdrop below. Have fun viewing and reading 😊

### *The Black One*

You will notice the actors wearing the masks of some iconic Black American artists. The actors chose these artists to pay homage to their fantastic work and the incredible history of who they were. To learn more about these magnificent individuals, please click the links below.



JOSEPHINE BAKER

<https://www.biography.com/artists/josephine-baker>

Please check out Josephine Baker's biography to learn more about her years as a spy and mother of adopted children, her journey through Europe, and her life in Paris, France.



**BILL 'BOJANGLES' ROBINSON**

<https://www.biography.com/performer/bill-bojangles-robinson>

To learn more about the talented tap dancer and Broadway actor, check out his excellent biography at the link above.



**BERT WILLIAMS**

<https://www.loc.gov/item/ihis.200038860/>

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Learn more about Bert Williams's creative life by visiting the links above.

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