



#### Beijing opera: history

- Beijing Opera is the quintessence of China.
- It has the history of 160 years.
- Beijing Opera is developed from absorbing many other dramatic forms, mostly from the local drama 'Huiban' which was popular in South China during the 18th century.

#### Beijing opera: artistic presentation

- Beijing opera is a scenic art integrating music, performance, literature, aria, and face-painting.
- Beijing Opera presents dramatic plays and figures mainly by infusing four artistic methods: singing, dialogue, dancing and martial arts.

### Beijing opera: main roles

- 1. Shēng (生): male characters
- 2. Dàn (<math>): female characters





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- 3. Jìng (浄): characters with unique appearance or personality.
- 4. Chǒu  $(\exists$ ): a comic role or villainous character.





# Beijing opera: Face painting

Face painting (脸谱, lian pu): different colors represent different characters.

For example, red symbolizes loyalty; black signifies honesty and frankness.



Beijing opera:

introduction:

https://youtu.be/ka5z3uYctug

# Beijing opera:

Beijing opera 花田错 <u>https://youtu.be/QK4UHU56egM</u>

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https://youtu.be/ruCXTls3IlQ