

11.7 Women recognizes strong men from dance moves

Men on the dance floor that have success with women are stronger. Anthropologist Dr. Bernhard Fink of the University of Göttingen (Germany) filmed men in overalls danced to the song 'Let me entertain you' by Robbie Williams. He showed the unrecognizable pictures without music to be judged by women.

The appearance and body shape of the dancing men was unrecognizable as only their dance moves were seen. Of all dancers was measured how much power they had in their hands.

Twenty-five women rated the dancers on video about their attractiveness, and 25 others quoted their assertiveness.

The men who were most in the taste of the ladies also appeared to have most strength in their hands.

The findings were published in July 2009 in the journal *Personality and Individual Differences*.

'This study shows that dance movements can be used to estimate in terms of power and domination, the quality of the male partner,' explains lead researcher Bernhard Fink in the British magazine *New Scientist*.

Women may have important evolutionary information and signals for male qualities (health and fertility) out of the dance movements of men. That gives them according to evolutionary psychologist Gayle Brewer (Central Lancashire University) an advantage.

Men with two left feet, according to him should not despair. 'If you cannot handle the competition, change the game. Stay away from the dance floor and buy a drink for a woman and show how thoughtful you are.'

In another study, Fink also showed that women who (will) ovulate are dancing and walking attractive into the eyes of a man. Lap dancers also appear in that period to get more money slipped. Movements give potential partners apparently clues about their fertility.

