

Indiegogo Campaign For A Purdy Good Life Documentary About Drummer Bernard Purdie's Career

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Bernard "Pretty" Purdie has played drums for a long line of soul and jazz legends including, but not limited to, Aretha Franklin, James Brown, Nina Simone, Miles Davis and Gil Scott-Heron over his 6-decade career. He started recording as a bandleader in the '60's with the album *Soul Drums*. His Purdie Shuffle drumming technique which he perfected with the use of triplets against a half-time backbeat is credited for being a major influence on funk. Filmmakers Marc Manseau & Helgi Piccinin launched an Indiegogo campaign this month to raise \$50,000 for the completion of the *Purdy Good Life* Documentary. They have a few more weeks to reach their goal and there are perks ranging from production crew membership to executive producer credits. The campaign is an opportunity for music fans to not only see the history but become a part of documenting it with their contributions. See the campaign [here](#) and listen to Bernard Purdie [here](#).