

Throwback: Johnny Gill-There You Go



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Johnny Gill's "There You Go" is from the soundtrack to the 1992 movie *Boomerang*. The film was a romantic comedy directed by Reginald Hudlin and starred Eddie Murphy. The cast was a who's who of contemporary Black entertainers including Halle Berry, Robin Givens, Martin Lawrence, David Alan Grier, Lela Rochon and Tisha Campbell as well as dance and club legends Geoffrey Holder and Grace Jones. Marcus Miller handled the music for the film and Babyface, L.A.Reid and Daryl Miller co-authored "There You Go" for Gill. The entire soundtrack is one of the strongest R&B/Hip-Hop albums of the '90's and it was one of the albums that gave LaFace Records artistic authority. Johnny Gill started his solo career at 17 but his fame came from his membership in New Edition after the departure of Bobby Brown. Gill's robust but underrated vocals were hit or miss commercially speaking except for his very successful self-titled third album. Critics give him credit for helping New Edition transition into a more mature sound. The *Boomerang* soundtrack was a shining moment for him because "There You Go" was instantly recognized as an eternal romantic classic. Nycolia "Tye-V" Turman of the group BlackGirl sang background on the song. Despite releasing two more solo albums in the '90's Gill's work with the group LSG gave him the most recognition. The singer's most recent solo album is 2011's *Still Winning* and he still performs with New Edition. The fans are still hoping that he, Ralph Tresvant and Bobby Brown will record an album as members of the group Heads Of State.