The cakewalk was a popular dance in the 1890's. Couples dressed in colorful costumes would compete for a cake by dancing in highly exaggerated ways. Cakewalks are usually based on the syncopated rhythm: $\mathbb{A} \mathbb{A} \mathbb{A} \mathbb{A}$, which gradually helped to shape ragtime. Since it's a dance, play it with energy and excitement.

