



## SOUL FOOD – Family is Everything this Thanksgiving!

### Description

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Written and directed by George Tillman Jr., *SOUL FOOD* is a classic comedy starring Vanessa Williams, Vivica A. Fox and Nia Long celebrating the importance of family dinners – and recognizing that they're about more than just the meal on the table. *SOUL FOOD* is this year's AFI Movie Club's Thanksgiving Day selection.



Writer/director George Tillman, Jr. Tillman based the family in the film on his own Midwestern Chicago upbringing. *Soul Food* has been widely acclaimed for presenting a more positive image of African-Americans than is typically seen in Hollywood films.

*Soul Food* revolves around the experiences of an extended African-American family and captures its

love and dysfunction through the eyes of an 11-year old boy. *Soul Food* was Tillman's major studio debut.

Tracey Edmonds, an AFI Trustee Emerita, and then-husband Kenneth "Babyface" Edmonds produced *Soul Food* and it was the inaugural film for their Edmonds Productions.

In 2000, Showtime premiered a one-hour *Soul Food* television series that ran for five seasons with an almost entirely fresh cast. In 2015, 20th Century Fox announced a sequel, written by Tillman, titled *More Soul Food*.

Stay tuned!

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