

IN THE MEANTIME EP

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1 Spread The Music (Featuring Joaquin Evans) (3:36)

Written by: C.M. Lugo & J. Evans

Produced by: A Better Tomorrow

Mixed by: C.M. Lugo

I'm not sure how I came across this beat. A Better Tomorrow had given me a ton of beats when we were working on "Raiders of the Lost Art" to use. I don't remember this one being in the stack. He might have told me to peep it out at some point after the album was done. Either way, once I heard it, I couldn't help but write to it. It came together pretty fast. Then I realize, maybe he didn't give me the beat to actually do something to it. Maybe it was just to listen to it. I was worried I used it & it was for someone else. Even though ABT gave me the ok to use it after I had laid my verses down, I don't think it was made for me. Regardless, the track is done. I originally sang the hook. But I (and everyone else) was fortunate enough to have Joaquin Evans sing and even added his 2 cents to the track. It has become one of my all time favorite tracks. Joaquin elevated this track. Check out his stuff at: <http://www.reverbnation.com/joaquinevans>.

2 Choose Lyfe (4:13)

Written by: C.M. Lugo

Produced by: Boonie Mayfield

Background vocals by: Yajaira Briganty & Chris Melody

Mixed by: C.M. Lugo



This track was inspired and made for Ed (Lyfe) Kittrell and the 1 Lyfe @ A Time movement (www.1lyfe.org). He definitely has an interesting story to tell. He was trying to put together a compilation of songs to shed more light upon the troubling number of teen suicides. I heard a beat on Boonie Mayfield's website www.booniemayfield.com before Ed presented the opportunity to do the track. At first, I wanted to use the beat as a love type track but once I started writing the verses... the beat just fit it to a tee. So I leased it & built off of it, coming up with the hook off the melody of the beat. Got my wife to help out with the background vocals.

3 Laws (Featuring Cheese) (3:10)

Written by: C.M. Lugo & J. Warner

Produced by: DJ Hotwings

Mixed by: J. Warner

Cheese & I been collabing for a while. I guess we were sort of netlabel mates on the Random Flow netlabel back in 2008. He dropped "Doing the Raps Part 1 & 2" with his group D3Z. This is actually the last collab we did. He presented the track with his vocals already on it but without a hook. I jumped on it without hesitation. Came up with a hook & sent it back to him. Then he sends it back to me all nice & spiffy. He altered his verse just a little & added his verse of the hook, making the track sound like we were working right next to each other instead of the thousands miles that actually separate us. Power of the internet!!! His alter ego always provides the freshest cuts. Check his stuff out on Acid Planet: <http://www.acidplanet.com/artist.asp?songs=479807&t=9217>



4 All For The Cause (Featuring Javier Starks) (4:04)

Written by: C.M. Lugo & J. Starks

Produced by: Young Chief

Mixed by: C.M. Lugo

I was begging (something I don't mind doing when it comes to a dope beat) Young Chief for this beat for a minute. Once he gave it up, it was on. I already knew I wanted Javier Starks/M1das on this one from the jump. Back then, Jav lived like right down the street from me so it was easier to catch up to him. These days he's on his grind extra hard so it's been harder to connect with him. Plus he's not down the street from me anymore. He's doing big things in the DMV. He's representing House Studios in D.C. One of the best studios around. Check out his latest work, "Faces of Change" (www.javierstarks.com) featuring some of the best artist in the DMV (D.C, Maryland, Virginia) you probably never heard of. I advise all Hip Hop heads to go and check them all out. Well worth it.

5 Make You Do Wrong (4:58)

Written by: C.M. Lugo

Produced by: Frankie O. Solovely

Mixed by: C.M. Lugo

I'm always shifting through the internet in search of a good beat. I came across Frankie O. Solovely's stash on reverbnation (www.reverbnation.com/frankieosolovely) and had to grab me something. I actually grabged quite a



few. His style varies. He'll hit you with the kitchen sink if he could sample it. I just went with the beat on this one & thought of 3 things that can make you do wrong out of the million of things that can make you do wrong.

6 Chillin' (Featuring Cheese) (2:57)

Written by: C.M. Lugo & J. Warner

Produced by: DJ Hotwings

Mixed by: J. Warner

DJ Hotwings had this beat on his Acid Planet page & I just had to have it. No begging needed as he was always willing to share a beat. The beat was so damn chill that I had to just spit something about chillin. As I was writing the verse, I was thinking, why hog the whole beat when I can ask Cheese to hop on it. He didn't blink & dropped his verse like bird sh*t on top of a victims head. Then the cuts just took the track to level 100. Damn I love them cuts. Mister magic fingers himself.

7 Clock In (Featuring Javier Starks) (4:02)

Written by: C.M. Lugo & J. Starks

Produced by: Lord Maitreya

Mixed by: C.M. Lugo

The great Lord Maitreya had this beat on his Acid Planet page (yes, I get a lot of beats from AP. Just check out



the "Classic Material" series....all AP beats.) I had actually made this track a solo track. But I took out the third verse & wanted to add a feature on it. I slide the track to Jav and he delivered a bone chilling verse. Probably one of my favorite verses.

BONUS THROWBACK TRACKS

8 Show You How (Featuring RM & Omega) (3:27)

Written by: C.M. Lugo, M. Rivera & O. Guia

Produced by: CM aka Creative

Mixed by: C.M. Lugo

I had this beat in the stash for a long while. I always wanted to do something to but never was able to get around to sitting down & writing to it as I was always writing to other peoples beat. So when I finally got the time, I wanted my bro to drop a verse on it...but he was incarcerated at the time. I had some verses of his on unfinished tracks, so I took one and added to this beat. I wrote my verse & asked Omega to jump on the track. I came up with the hook, ask O to be apart of it and the rest is.....as they say, history. This wouldn't be the last time I used one of my brothers verses from another track on a beat I made. See "Riot Gear" off Classic Material Vol. 3. Just because he was in jail doesn't mean he couldn't provide a dope verse for one of my projects. Now that he's out, we have tons of proper tracks. You can check out some of RM's music on his facebook page: <http://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=709563272#!/pages/Bigg-M/121299487880396?sk=wall> Omega got tons of gritty tracks on his Acid Planet



page under NIG's: www.acidplanet.com/artist.asp?AID=633119.

9 Goin' On (Featuring Cheese, Highsnow & T-Pick) (5:32)

Written by: C.M. Lugo, J. Warner, T. HighSnow & T. Pickette

Produced by: DJ Hotwings

Mixed by: J. Warner

This track is probably more me featured on a Cheese or D3Z track than the other way around. He had sent me this beat back in 2008 probably. He played the bass live. I was down with it from the first pluck. It might have had his verse already laid down. I came up with the hook and dropped my verse. Then I never heard from the track again. I knew HighSnow was gonna be on it & I was excited to hear what he was gonna drop as it was gonna be my first time hearing a Japanese Hip Hop verse. It took a while and I finally got it. The final version had the beat tweaked and the format changed from one verse hook, followed by the next verse to verses going back to back then the hook. T-Pick jumped on it too, which was dope. It turned out in my opinion, a classic track. Something you'll probably never hear anywhere else. Check out more Cheese & HighSnow on D3Z's Doing the Rap Part 1 & 2 on Random Flow: www.archive.org/details/random-flow.





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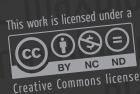


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