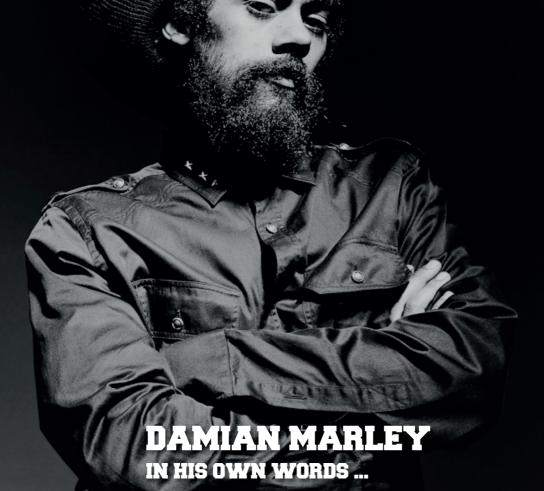
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The widespread cliché of Jamaica is that of a country with an easy-going, laid back lifestyle and slow pace (apart from its short distance runners, of course). Well, this could not be further from the truth when it comes to Reggae music. Even avid and dedicated followers of the scene might have problems keeping up with all the releases, events and gossip the Reggae industry creates. Especially the dancehall fraternity produces incidents and headlines on a daily basis that even a soap opera author could not think of. 2011 was no exception.

Reggaeville did its best to inform you about what happened in Reggae all over the world. We travelled to dozens of concerts and festivals to shoot photos, collect live footage, conduct interviews or produce reports. In 2011 alone we provided more than 400 live videos, 75 video interviews and 85 album reviews for you, we published the first ever comprehensive digital festival guide, the "Festiville 2011" magazine. But it is like in school: The more you learn the harder it is to remember everything. Or can you recall who won the Reggae Grammy in 2011? The month Buju was sentenced? The exact color of Vybz Kartel's skin? Which Reggae greats left us? The day Sizzla had his severe accident?

Fortunately, in the days of internet you do not have to keep all of this in mind. You just need the "Reggaeville Yearbook 2011". In this magazine we collected all the highlights of 2011 for you to enjoy again by conveniently and easily surfing through the Reggaeville online archive. We also asked several of our favorite performers to tell us about their special moments of the year. And we sat down with Damian "Gongzilla" Marley to discuss his review of 2011. Of course, there has to be a Reggaeville album of the year, too. About 30 of our photographers and authors voted their Top10 album releases of 2011. Guess you might be curious about the result of our intern poll. And although Buju says: "I could go on and on, the full has never been told", the "Reggaeville Yearbook 2011" is quite close to the full story. A story Reggaeville will keep on documenting in 2012.

Have a peaceful, prosperous and musically rich 2012!

PERSONAL HIGHLIGHTS 2011

Compiled by Justine Ketola & Julian Schmidt



TAJ WEEKES

South by Southwest was a great memory for me, it was wonderful to be there with all the other musicians from South Africa and Bermuda and France, Austin Reggae Festival was great because we played to our largest audience to date of 30,000. Going to France actually was great for us, on a promotional tour, we reached so many people and there was so much love in France and they treated us really well. On the charity level, (They Often Cry Outreach) 5.000 pairs of shoes for Haiti, was a great accomplishment for us. We asked people to bring shoes out along the way. We are now doing the annual Toy Drive for St.Lucia, heading out December 12th to make some children happy in the countryside by bringing them tovs for the holiday season. We were invited to write a song for the Occupy movement, "Against the Machine" which will be out in about three weeks.



JUNIOR MARVIN

My highlight was Playing "Live " the music of Bob Marley and The Wailers and getting lots of love & positive Feedback from Music Lovers all over the World.



BUSHMAN

The Vermont Jazz Festival was a beautiful experience, one because I got to work with the great Abyssinians for the first time and shared the stage with Midnite. The whole vibe was warm, the people really knowing that they mostly do Jazz up that side, they really received the reggae well. Then Reggae on the River was an anticipated festival and it was a next experience. I think that production crew at Reggae on the River they are awesome, it is a well put together festival. Canada also, the Irie Festival was awesome. Our feedback from the promoter was that ever since they have been keeping the festival that was one of the hugest crowds they had and the people were awesome.



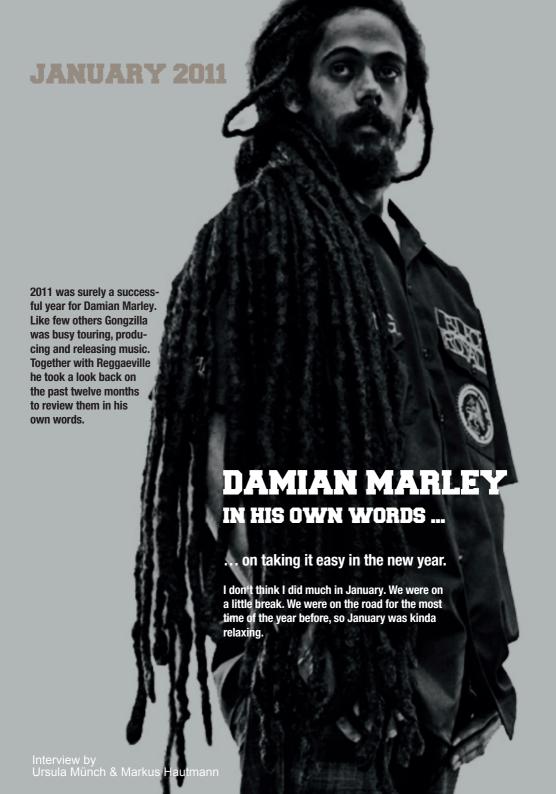
ROOTZ UNDERGROUND

Its very difficult when faced with choosing one particular moment across the span of a year that stands out to all members of the band. Sometimes one show can be great for one yet challenging for another, therefore we feel it would be best to focus on some work that has given us positivity. For Rootz Underground collectively that growth would be the success we saw in our tree planting initiative in 2011, "The Rootz Releaf Project." With the help of our fans, friends and family and most notably the "La Reserva" foundation based in Costa Rico we managed to achieve thousands of new trees planted and set the model for tens of thousands in 2012. This achievement makes us smile and makes the music flow even more.



LIVE WYYA

This year the greatest thing is that our album "Spread The Love" finished. We are looking forward for next year to do some promotional tours. And we won the EME Award this year in Jamaica.



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INTERVIEW: BUSHMAN

Yes! Knowing that the Bush Doctor stands for the legalization of herbs. If herbs are for man, then why are only some legal and the most substantial one is illegal? It's making a statement about what he really stands for. So you'll notice from track three to track five it's like a ganja party! That part of the album is based on Peter Tosh and his...



REVIEW: BEFORE THE DAWN CONCERT IN MIAMI. FL

Around 10:00pm, the moment that people traveled on planes, trains, and automobiles for was here. The lights dimmed and the unmistakable voice of Buju Banton began serenading the crowd from backstage. The feeling of love and unity in the house was undeniable – there was a silent serenity as all 10,000 fans hung on every note. Finally...



BUJU BANTON: NEW TRIAL BEGINS FEBRUARY 14TH

Ten days after Buju Banton's one of a kind concert in Miami, FL a date for the trial has been announced. Valentine's Day: February 14th, 2011. The date has been commented by Banton's attorney David Markus said: "February 14 is Valentine's Day... We hope the jury gives us some love."



HELP JAMAICA! CUP 2011 A SUCCESS

The first HELP Jamaica! Cup, Football Tournament was held on Saturday the 22nd of January. We can now hail it a resounding success; a source of joy for the community and the HELP Jamaica! team. With the friendly permission of the Constant Spring Primary Jr. High School, we...

THE OBSERVER SAYS...



PROTOJE'S ALBUM HITS INTERNATIONAL CHARTS: BUJU PERFORMED AS IF HIS FREEDOM DEPENDED ON IT: Too Many Free Shows?: Gregory ISAACS FOUNDATION TO BE LAUNCHED: REGGAE'S TOP EARNERS: RICHIE STEPHENS' PROTEGE KILLED IN KINGSTON: HUGE TURNOUT FOR BUJU

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VYBZ KARTEL - YEA THOUGH I



JOSH HEINRICHS - NEW LOVE



SERANI - MY STAR



PROTOJE & KY-MANI - RASTA LOVE



ROMAIN VIRGO - TAKING YOU HOME

Interview: Christopher Ellis



IN KINGSTON, JAMAICA

Interview: Third World













ALBUM REVIEWS



ALPHEUS - FROM CREATION

Three years after his critically acclaimed album for Special Delivery Everything For A Reason (and over ten years after his Studio 1 debut Quality time) the deeply soulful crooner Alpheus has gone in a new direction. His latest long-player (following the release some taster singles) features no reggae whatsoever – only rocksteady and ska.



PROTOJE - 7 YEAR ITCH

Protoje's lyrics are not sufferers laments. A fair chunk of his rhyming concerns girls and ganja yet – save his recollection of seeing a few harsh things go down on JA – he doesn't talk much about guns, just being arrested for weed on Wrong Side Of The Law.



BOB MARLEY 6 THE WAILERS - LIVE FOREVER

The Barrett Brothers and co start slowly, chugging through Natural Mystic, Positive Vibration and Burnin' and Lootin' before starting to really cook at Them Belly Full and keeping the momentum right to the encore. Al Anderson and Junior Marvin supply some big guitar solos while percussionist Alvin Seeco Patterson adds rhythmic pulse to Redemption Song.



THIRD WORLD - PATRIOTS

Since 1973, Third World polarizes. Some Roots purists cry "Backstabbing! Commerce!", on the other hand the mere announcement of a Third World show no matter where in the world unleashes storms of enthusiasm. Patriots won't change that, although its illustrious guest squad might earn Third World more respect among purists.











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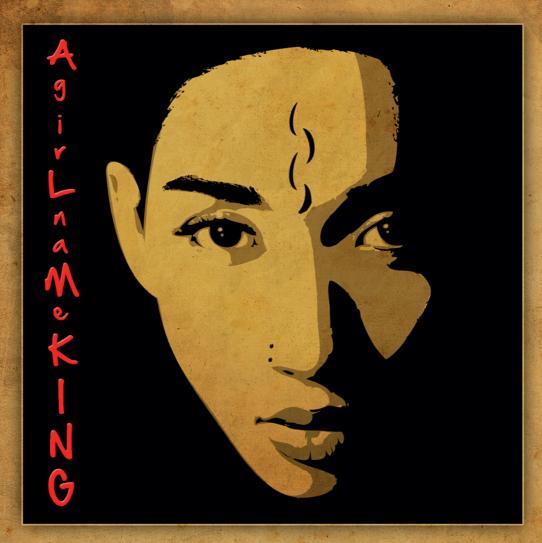
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BEFORE THE DAWN CONCERT - BUJU BANTON & FRIENDS IN MIAMI, FL 1/16/2011



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DAMIAN MARLEY IN HIS OWN WORDS ...

... on touring Japan, Australia and New Zealand.

It was good, ,cause a long time I didn't travel those places. I went with Nas and we were in some places right before the disasters hit, like New Zealand. A couple of days after we left, there was the earthquake. Likewise Japan, we left Japan a few days before the big earthquake happened over there. When we left one of the places we were in Australia, they had a hurricane. We were lucky, we were moving in the right time and not ending up getting caught up in any of the disasters. We didn't go back to any of those places but we did some charity concerts on behalf of Japan and we donated some funds towards the earthquake relief program that they have over there.

... on Buju Banton's verdict.

Buju is our friend. Anybody who has been following the case would know that my family has extended a whole lot of support towards Buju throughout the program. My brother Stephen put up the house, that we have our studio in to assist with bail. We were also part of the concert, he held and tried to raise funds for his legal fees. Buju is a friend of the family. He is not just a musician whose music we love - of course we love his music, but he is somebody who is a good bredrin of the family to come around and hang around and not just because of music. So of course, we did moan when we got the verdict that he was sentenced.

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BUJU BANTON FOUND GUILTY!

Buju Banton was found guilty on three charges by the jurors of the re-trial, which started February 14th 2011! He was found guilty of conspiracy to possess with intent to distribute five or more kilogrammes of cocaine, attempted possession with the intent to distribute cocaine, and using the wires to facilitate a drug-trafficking offence.



INTERVIEW: BUNNY WAILER

To interview Bunny Wailer is to take a lesson in history. Thoughtful, sometimes humorous, answers are marked by a deliberate tone. His responses are part prose, part prophet, and all passionate. Bunny is a true believer, and even at 64, seems eager to continue the mission that...



GRAMMY FOR BUJU BANTON

And the Grammy goes to... Before The Dawn - Buju Banton The album has been voted Best Reggae Album 2010. Congratulations! This is great news for Buju Banton, who will face the retrial on cocaine and gun charges in Florida tomorrow, February 14th 2011!Banton has been nominated four times before, but never won.



RIDDIM POLL: REGGAEVILLE #1

Big up to all fans and voters and a major big up goes out to the entire Reggaeville crew from all over the world: photographers, writers, filmers and all other contributors. Last but not least, thanks to the promoters, artists, labels who support Reggaeville!

THE OBSERVER SAYS...



On The Buju Verdict: A Sad Day - Reggae Industry Reacts To Buju's Guilty Verdict: Marley: The Greatest?: Grange For Marley Becoming National Hero: Examining Masculinities In Dancehall: Buju Honoured By Grammy Win: Young Artiste Lil' Joe Is Dead

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CHERINE - MAKE UP SEX



DAMIAN MARLEY & NAS - PATIENCE



TARRUS RILEY - SHAKA ZULU PICKNEY



ZIGGYI RECADO - GET OUT

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JAH CURE

Mr.Vegas in Cologne, Germany 2/11/2011



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DANAKIL - ECHOS DU TEMPS

Catchy basslines and even more the formidable brass section constitute this album's sound that - with a single exception - can always be classified as Roots Reggae. World Music and Hip-Hop influences as well as elements from French Chansons are just spices that refine the savor.



ELEPHANT MAN - DANCE & SWEEP!

An entire music artform suffering from the evil forces, a creative culture on the brink of extinction - the epic first track skit draws a dark picture of the dancehall industry... but oh, thank God - or better thank Energy God - there he is: our hero, the only one that can save and protect...



ETANA - FREE EXPRESSIONS

The title of Etana's second album is Free Expressions and as one would hope she seems even more comfortable and ambitious with her gigantic voice. It's a voice that stands out in a music industry where over-production, one-size-fits-all treatment and vocal manipulation are commonplace.



<u>DIPLO</u> - RIDDIMENTARY

Diplo has previous involvement with Jamaican music in the form of aforementioned Major Lazer dancehall project but here he deals mainly in slower foundation and foundation-inspired material. He starts off with a tune not typical of the British label - Alpha and Omega's hypnotic dub meditation Who Is the Ruler.











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CAPLETON @ AMSTERDAM REGGAE FESTIVAL





BUNNY WAILER @ RAGGAMUFFINS FESTIVAL

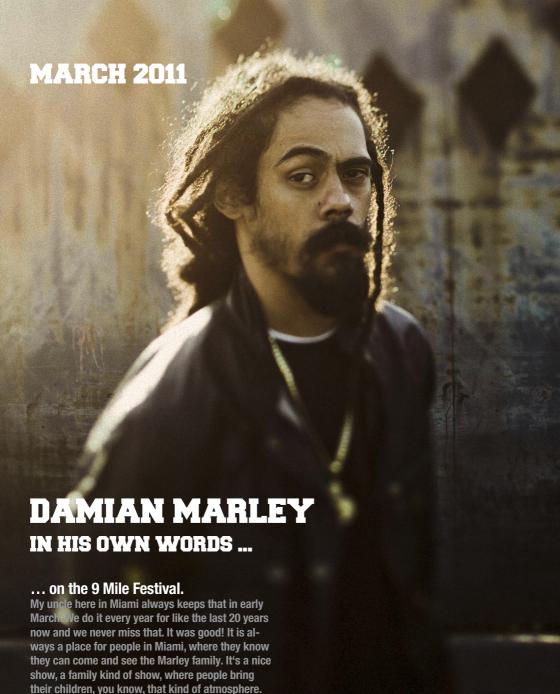




LEE PERRY IN ITALY

Photos by Julian Schmidt, Lebawit Girma, Jan Salzman, VerdeRita & Tommy Heizmann





And it's a good cause because they collect food and give it to homeless shelters. It's a nice and good

deed.

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N: MARLEY BROTHERS @ 9MILE FESTIVAI

The 9Mile Music Festival (formerly known as Carribean Festival) took place on saturday, March 12th for the 18th time. Ky-Mani Marley performed his own set in the late afternoon and was joined by Protoje for Rasta Love! The Marley Brothers closed the show and were joined by many special guests.



INTERVIEW: DON CORLEON - IT'S ALL ABOUT REGGAE

"It's all about reggae music" says top Jamaican producer Donovan "Don Corleon" Bennett as we begin our interview. By that he means he rises at 5am every day and gets to work building rhythms, voicing artists and reputedly whipping up the occasional gourmet quality meal. It's this dedication, creativity and seriousness that have taken...



REVIEW: DANAKIL & ROOTZ UNDERGROUND IN PARIS

I discovered them two years ago at the Reggae Sun Ska in 2009 and I had really found them impressive. Not only for the charismatic Stephen Newland the lead singer, but because you don't really expect what's going to hit you. They will bring you with them whether you want it or not.



REVIEW: WAR INA EAST 3/26/2011

It could have been their memorable first win at an international clash - apart from the one at UK Cup Clash vs. US World Clash they owed to Bass Odyssey and the concept of a tag team – but instead the War Ina East 2011 turned into a lock off for One Love Hi Powa - still it was memorable same way.

THE OBSERVER SAYS...



I-OCTANE WINS BIG AT LINKAGE AWARDS: TARRUS. MUTABARUKA ON RACE AND HISTORY: UPRISING ROOTS UPHOLDS EAST KINGSTON TRADITI-ON : GYPTIAN AND ETANA ON U.S. TOUR : SHAGGY COLLABORATES WITH RAPPER PITBULL: JAMAICAN DEEJAYS TO RECORD JAPAN TRIBUTE

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ETANA - PEOPLE TALK



GAPPY RANKS - I WAS THERE



MONO & NIKITAMAN - ZEIT STEHT STILL



MR.VEGAS - BLACK AND PROUD



QUEEN IFRICA - TIMES LIKE THESE

Interview: Stephen Newland (Rootz Underground)



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DACTAH CHANDO IN COLOGNE



ROOTZ UNDERGROUND IN MUNICH



GENTLEMAN IN COLOGNE



TURBULENCE IN DORTMUND











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ROOTZ UNDERGROUND - LIVE IN FRANCE

Live in France captures well the vibes of a tour in France in October 2009, where Rootz Underground were the opening act for Danakil. It already is the second live album of the group. Live in France starts with Unknown Soldier and Searching. The studio versions of both tunes are on Rootz' latest album Gravity.



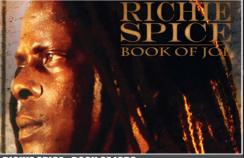
THE WAILERS BAND - MAJESTIC WARRIORS

It is in the spirit and consciousness of that message which permeates this recording. Guarding the palace so majestic, it's the "Majestic Warriors" riding again, commemorating the 20th anniversary of the Wailers Band album. Universal Records has remastered and re-released "Majestic Warriors", which became available February 15, 2011.



THE MESSAGE RIDDIM

His latest rhythm The Message is everything you'd expect - great big hooks, nylon string guitars and the unashamed ear-worm sensibility of the illegal download age. It's title results in the artists' lyrics tending towards reality and Rasta themes. These are to be expected from the likes of Protoje and Ky-Mani Marley



RICHIE SPICE - BOOK OF JOBS

It took him quite a while until Richie Spice aka Gideon of contemporary Reggae got the position he deserves in Reggae music. Spice's perseverance paid off. Pliers' and Spanner Banner's brother has become a reliable constant. He proves that again with his highly anticipated fifth studio album. Book of Job.











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JUNIOR KELLY IN ITALY



DAMIAN & JULIAN MARLEY @ 9MILE FESTIVAL



DAVID RODIGAN IN ITALY

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DAMIAN MARLEY

IN HIS OWN WORDS ...



... on touring Europe.

It was actually the second time we went to Europe on Distant Relatives. We've been there the year before and did a lot of festivals. But this time we did mostly our own headline shows and the highlight of it for us was being able to headline Wembley Arena. That was a nice landmark for us and it was really what the whole trip was about. There were around 10,000 people! England showed a lot of love towards us and over there years to me. I had a lot of good, successful moments in England, where I headlined Brixton Academy on the Welcome to Jamrock album back in 2005, 2006, So we came back a couple of times with Nas and had successful concerts until we did the Wembley thing. It is really a good direction to be moving to.

DISTANT RELATIVES TOUR: EUROPE APRIL 2011





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ALPHA BLONDY ALBOROSIE GENTLEMAN ZENITH DE PARIS

REVIEW: ALPHA BLONDY, ALBOROSIE & GENTLEMAN

Have you ever experienced going to a big show not having completely recovered from a terrible food poisoning, which made you spend almost the whole day in bed? Obviously normal people would call it off and rest even if it was to see Gentleman, Alborosie and Alpha Blondy at the Zenith. For as we all know, health should always come first.



INTERVIEW: EARL SIXTEEN

Legendary foundation singer Earl "Sixteen" Daley is frying fish when Reggaeville calls to have a chat about his life and forthcoming album The Fittest with Dutch producers of the moment JahSolidRock and NotEasyAtAll. "I love cooking" he says, "I got some olive oil from a friend in Italy so I'm testing it out".



INTERVIEW: DUANE STEPHENSON

Duane Stephenson is a rarity in music. He has the songwriter's innate ability to formulate a storyline, a concept that takes flight, asking questions, studying the outcomes, weighing the reality, inviting the listener to join him on this truth telling story and journey. A man whose career is devoid of hype and controversy, his understanding of...



REVIEW: LONDON INTERNATIONAL SKA FESTIVAL

2011 has been a year when vintage festivals came back to London. In July Dexter Rickets' famous One Love Festival is scheduled to make its return as the One Love Peace Festival in Wembley. And Sean Flowerdew's London International Ska Festival, which he first promoted at the Brixton Fridge in 1988 made a thunderous South London...

THE OBSERVER SAYS...



DIGITAL MUSIC SALES UP - MARLEY DOMINATES: REGGAE GRAMMY SAFE - FEWER AWARDS TO BE HANDED OUT NEXT YEAR: REGGAE FILM FESTIVAL MAY 23-27: FIFTY GOLDEN YEARS OF MUSIC: BOUNTY DROPS BLEACHING TUNE: MUSIC HAS THE POWER TO SHAPE SOCIETY - TANYA STEPHENS

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DEMARCO - I LOVE MY LIFE



ELIJAH - DO GOOD IN LIFE



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HAGGY & MAVADO - GIRL7 DEM LILV W



SIZZLA - SEE ME

Interview: Alpha Blondy



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OUR FAVOURITE BERES HAMMOND SONG

Who could sing Beres Hammond's magic tunes better than the Godfather of Soul Reggae himself? Right. Still, VP Records assigned 23 in-house Beres fans to sing their favorite Beres Hammond songs. They asked rookies like Tessanne Chin and Romain Virgo as well as legends like Marcia Griffiths. New and modernized are the...



ZIGGY MARLEY - MARIJUANAMAN (COMIC)

Dully on 4/20 (a cannabis counterculture holiday - but you knew that already), Ziggy Marley, eldest son of Rita and Bob Marley, blazed into the comic world with a comic book called Marijuanaman. Its main character Marijuanaman is based on an idea of Ziggy. The story was written by Joe Casey. Jim Mahfood provided the illustrations. The later two are revered by US comic fans as veterans of their...



PROFESSOR - MADNESS

Many Reggae reviewers see Groundation as the best live Reggae band these days. Groundation score with virtuoso musicians with solid Jazz education and their charismatic front man Harrison Stafford. Also known as Professor (he taught history of Reggae at a university in California), Stafford now releases his first solo album, Madness.



ALPHA BLONDY - VISION

Three years after Jah Victory Alpha Blondy presents a new album, Vision. While he certainly does not have anything left to prove, he is still up for veritable surprises. Vision shows Alpha Blondy in his best form, reminding of the Cocody Rock and Revolution days. Thanks to much improved recording engineering and his working with exceptionally gifted musicians Vision sounds stronger than its...











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HORACE ANDY IN MARGHERA. ITALY



TIKEN JAH FAKOLY IN BERLIN, GERMANY



JAH CURE @ ROTTERDAM REGGAE FESTIVAL



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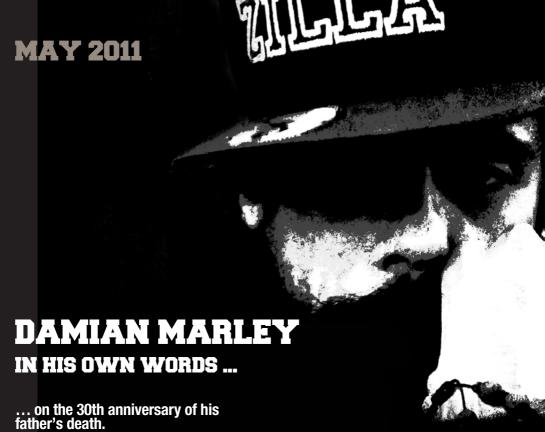
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You know, if you never told me, I wouldn't even realize that. To tell you the truth, I personally and my family in general we don't really put much acknowledgement towards that day in May. We more acknowledge February 6th, the day he was born. So we don't really highlight that. May is just a normal

... on the Wanted single.

month for me in that sense.

I released the Wanted single in May in which I was talking about a whole lot of things that were going on in Jamaica for the last year. Usually when things like that happen in Jamaica you have a lot of music about it. But you didn't have much music concerning the topic and I think it was because a lot of artists were losing their visas. The music kind of lost the rebellious side of it over the last year. I think it was a good statement to come out with. The song really highlighted everything that was happening. It is the first single of a couple of singles that we have in the pipeline to release, that are really more towards the dancehall arena.

... on adressing critical issues.

I try to speak the truth but I don't do it in a malicious way to offend anybody. At the same time the truth is the truth and somebody has to do it. I feel like a responsible person and I want to commit myself to the concerns but I don't violate the law.



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REVIEW: HIT ME WITH MUSIC (DOCUMENTARY)

A dancehall party, that's ganja, liquor, fashion and... peanuts! The first laughter is right on 'Hit me with music's side and yet this documentary is much more than shallow entertainment. According to the assistant director it's all about dancehall and how Jamaicans party to get away from their daily struggles, the violence and crime they have to.



MARLEY FOOTAGE TO BE UNVEILED AT CANNES

Kevin Macdonald will head to Cannes next week to screen around 15 minutes of footage from his hotly anticipated documentary feature Marley. The filmmakers have purposely chosen the opening day of the Cannes Film Festival to unveil the footage as the date itself, 11th May 2011, marks the 30th anniversary of the day Marley died.



INTERVIEW: SARA LUGO

Sara Lugo, the offspring of a highly musical family with roots both in Puerto Rico and Germany, has just released her intriguing debut album What About Love (Soulfire/Roughtrade/Oneness). High time to let Sara, a personalization of niceness and humbleness, have her say. A talk on her musical roots and the origination of her first album.



REVIEW: BOB MARLEY EXHIBIT @ GRAMMY MUSEUM

The exhibit contained many photos by famed photographers Adrian Boot, Dennis Morris, Neville Garrick and David Corio. There were many displays containing Bob Marley's memorabilia like his renowned Les Paul guitar, some of his denim shirts, replicas of outfits worn by the I-Threes and copies of all of Bob's album covers.

THE OBSERVER SAYS...



MARLEY'S LIGHT SHINES 30 YEARS LATER: ORIGINAL SKATALITES DRUM-MER LLOYD KNIBB IS DEAD: A SMOOTHER COCOA TEA: JOLLY BOYS TO APPEAR ON HOWARD STERN SHOW: REGGAE'S GONE GAGA IN JAPAN: SEAN PAUL 'BLAZES FIA' AS PRODUCER: AND THE EME GOES TO...

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GAPPY RANKS - PEACE & JOY



KONSHENS - FORWARD/REPRESENT



LADY SAW - WIFE A FIFE



PERFECT - HOLD ON BUJU

Interview: Albert Minott (The Jolly Boys)



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SIZZLA - GIRL IT'S ON



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ALBUM REVIEWS



LEE SCRATCH PERRY - RISE AGAIN

It's an album that demands repeat listenings to be fully appreciated, as the tracks showcase a myriad of sounds and arrangements- everything from funky, darting guitar, to a downtown NYC horn section, to all-star guests like Bernie Worell from P-funk. Perry's messages seem mantra as they are chant-like in many of the selections. It's a...



STEPHEN MARLEY - THE REVELATION PT1 THE ROOT OF LIFE

Pulsating opener Made in Africa - featuring Nigerian American rapper Wale, soaring backing vocals from the cast of the musical Fela! (and a melody at first not dissimilar to Phil Collins' Another Day in Paradise!) - could almost have come from Distant Relatives. But apart from a few subtly integrated hip-hop elements like the woozy Theremin of single No Cigarette with Melanie Fiona, this is...



SARA LUGO - WHAT ABOUT LOVE

The waiting is over now as Munich's golden voiced angel releases her debut album What About Love, Backed by amazing musicians, some of the best Europe has to offer, Sara presents twelve tunes full of love, sadness, joy, hope and all emotions in between. Twelve tunes changing from (incredibly good) Roots Reggae to (incredibly good)...



TAKANA ZION - RASTA GOVERNMENT

In 2007, Takana Zion amazed Reggae lovers and reviewers with his stunning debut album Zion Prophet, recorded in Ras Manjul's Humble Ark Studio in Bamako, Mali. Soon becoming the most promising young West African Reggae talent, Takana now fills stadiums. In West Africa, he is dubbed the Sizzla of Guinea, thanks to his vocal style somewhat resembling Kalonji's.











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GENTLEMAN IN AACHEN, GERMANY



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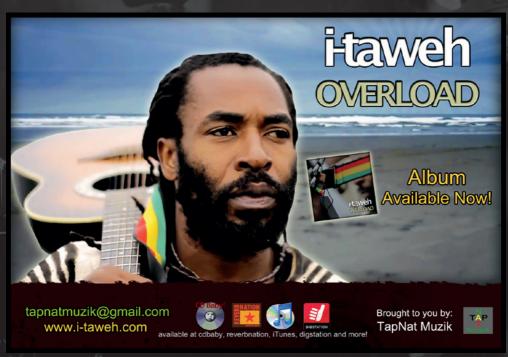
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CONGOS IN FLORENCE, ITALY



ZIGGI RECADO IN LEIDEN, HOLLAND





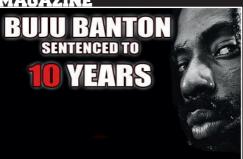
... on the Reggae 4 Japan concert.

It is one thing I know from when I was a little boy, that Japan is a big supporter of Reggae music. When you look at some Ninjaman clips of Japan Splash back in the late 80s and 90s, those concerts were huge, probably even bigger than some of the concerts that we have in Jamaica. When you go to the dancehalls in Jamaica, you see Japanese people even in the most ghetto areas and the slums. You see them there and they love the culture. I think it was only really right and fitting to give back towards that. They put so many pots on the fire and on the stoves when it comes on to Reggae music over the years. Will it be buying records, inviting artists out there to perform, all of these kind of things. So we wanted to give something back.

... on introducing Superheavy.

We started to work on Superheavy the same time I started to work on the album with Nas about 2009. 2010. It is ground braking in the sense of it has never been done like that before, so many different genres coming together. You obviously had many supergroups throughout the years but for the most parts that were kinda like-minded people or likeminded music, not really drawing from so many different places like Superheady did. It's good to be a part of this kind of thing. As a musician you want to be creative and do new things and this is something new. It's also a honour to be invited amongst that group of musicians because they are very experienced. legendary musicians. Everyone involved in that group is very successful and well respected in their own right. So it's good to be invited amongst that group of people knowing that you are seen like that also.

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BUJU BANTON SENTENCED TO 10 YEARS

Buju Banton was sentenced to 10 years by United States magistrate Jim Moody in the Sam M Gibbons US Court in Tampa Florida on thursday June 23rd! Here are the most recent news:Lawyer says Buju got the best sentence -Buju could be out in six years.



SOUNDCUP 2011 WINNER: YOUTHREBELS ALLSTARS

The second edition of Sound Cup took place on saturday 6/25/2011 in Cologne, Germany @ Altes Poststadion.A great location for the soccer competition of german sound. The only non sound-team was the Reggaeville A-Team, which were unbeaten after the first 3 matches, but...



REVIEW: WILD AND FREE RELEASE PARTY IN LA

Five time Grammy winner, Ziggy Marley, threw an intimate, invitation only party to celebrate the release of his latest solo album, "Wild and Free", which also included a performance by Ziggy with his whole band. There was a small stage set up to one end of the room where the band performed...



/IEW: SARA LUGO ALBUM RELEASE PARTY

Three weeks after the official release of her arresting debut album What About Love, Munich's rising star Sara Lugo invited to her album release party in Feierwerk, a cultural project aimed at supporting upcoming Munich artists. The turnout was good already when Sam I Am opened the show, armed with nothing but his voice and a guitar.

THE OBSERVER SAYS...



REGGAE SUMFEST TO HONOUR BERES HAMMOND: MAYADO WALKS FREE: BUJU GETS 10 YEARS: RED STRIPE MAKES A BOLD STAMP ON SUMFEST: BEENIE MAN RUM COMING: WAYNE MARSHALL AND SEAN PAUL COLLABO-RATION: DJ POWA 'CAN CROSS IT': BUJU BANTON TIMELINE

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KONSHENS - BUSS A BLANK





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GENTLEMAN IN COLOGNE



ZIGGY RECADO - MARY



ZIGGY MARLEY - FORWARD TO LOVE



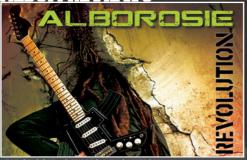








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ALBOROSIE - 2 TIMES REVOLUTION

A curious record is Alborosie's 2 Times Revolution. It is a hodgepodge of information, covering a lot of musical territory, and spanning many topics in its lyrics. It is the embodiment of Alborosie, himself, really, as it embraces the influences and inspirations he's absorbed from his days in his native Italy to his current home base in Jamaica.



LUCIANO - RUB-A-DUB MARKET

If I could heal this world with music/And I could save mankind/I'd do it" sings the Messeniah in his latest album release. He has always done his best to achieve that ambicious goal, Rub-A-Dub Market is no exception, Produced by the Austrian talents of Irievibrations Records, Luciano presents 14 swinging Modern Roots tunes...



SIZZLA - THE SCRIPTURES

Sizzla is never predictable, however, and if anything The Scriptures is even more of a roots record: with producer John John raiding his father King Jammys' vaults to airbrush old rhythms with a crisp digital gloss. Also this is a particularly "singy" album. Sizzla's falsetto singing divides listeners yet here it is cloaked in lots of echo and surrounded by beautiful harmonies from Fiona Robinson...



ZIGGY MARLEY - WILD AND FREE

30 years after his passing, Bob Marley still casts a very long shadow. It's fitting, then, that on Ziggy Marley's latest release, Wild and Free, there's perhaps a nod to his father's legacy. One look at the matchbook cover art, or the inset tray photo with exposed matches ready to strike, brings to mind The Wailers' classic Catch a Fire and its cigarette lighter cover motif.











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BARRINGTON LEVY IN ITALY



JIMMY CLIFF IN BOLOGNA, ITALY



NO-MADDZ IN ESSEN, GERMANY

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GENTLEMAN IN COLOGNE, GERMANY





DAMIAN MARLEY IN HIS OWN WORDS ...

... on his birthday.

Yeah, I celebrated my birthday but I didn't have a big bash or anything. I was just home with my family.

... on his relationship to Amy Winehouse.

We were acquaintances and I'm definitely a fan of her music up til now. She was more familiar with Nas and the year before I celebrated my birthday in London when we were on tour. We had a little gettogether and she came, too. So we had met before but Nas had more of a friendship with her than I did.

... on the Miracle Worker single.

I like that song, it is one of the songs I really favour on the album. It was a good experience to know finally we're getting this music out to the world and they can see what we have been up to. I was curious to see what the response would be also.

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REVIEW: KY-MANI MARLEY & GRAMPS MORGAN

Ky-Mani bounded onstage like a tornado; his locks flying, dancing and spinning. Ky-Mani,Äôs gravelly voice pounded out the songs with electric energy. Ky-Mani moved very fast as he performed so it was lots of exercise for us photographers. One of his opening songs was Ghetto Soldier and that,Äôs how he was dressed, too!



REVIEW: ANTHONY B & TARRUS RILEY IN DORTMUND

The Dietrich-Keuning-Haus in Dortmund was like visiting a tiny little reggae festival: souvenir booths in each corner, selling T-Shirts and all kinds of other reggae items, a lovely decorated location, and last but not least a bar offering famous Jamaican rum punch, brought some Caribbean flair to Dortmund.



INTERVIEW: ETANA

It's been a busy year for Etana - the August Town songstress with the gigantic voice. Since the release of her second album Free Expressions she's been touring hard, taking her soul-reggae vibes around the USA before hitting the European Festival circuit. Reggaeville spoke to her during a spot of downtime after the Oland festival in Sweden - where she had a surprise encounter with Curtis Lynch.



REVIEW: STEPHEN MARLEY IN NEW YORK CITY

The excitement began with a DJ lead chant for Stephen to appear. He entered the stage to cheers and quickly went into an energetic rendition of Punky Reggae Party, which was the perfect song to start this particular reggae party. Stephen was full of energy this night, nothing but smiles. He was very expressive with his lyrics and took to New York City like he knew us personally.

THE OBSERVER SAYS...



REGGAE GOES COUNTRY: COCOA TEA, BERES REIGN AT SUMFEST NIGHT 2:
JAMAICA INDEPENDENCE FESTIVAL 2011 LAUNCHED IN STYLE: WARRIOR
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KY-ENIE IN DORTMUND



TARRUS RILEY IN DORTMUND



SUPERHEAVY IN THE STUDIO



TANYA STEPHENS - GET A LIFE











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PERFECT - BACK FOR THE FIRST TIME

Back for the fourth time is Perfect, the honey-voiced singlay and chanter form St. Ann's Bay, with his fifth album Back For The First Time. This time the handcart boy teamed up with Corrin Haskell, Andrew "Moon" Bain. Laurent "Tippy I" Alfred, David "Jah D" Goldfine and Nick Fantastic of Lustre Kings. The resulting album is a strong opus of 14 strictly roots and culture tunes (plus two interludes) that nicely reflect Perfect's musical development.



RAY DARWIN - PEOPLES CHOICE

The first tune already captivates the listener. Time Flies starts with an inwardly tickling of the ivories, then wafting synthesizer sounds and a catchy bassline take over. And Ray could not have thought of a more suitable title for the opening tune of his debut album. The laid-back lovers tune Good For You, a combination with Munich, Äòs goldenvoiced Sara Lugo, is pure joie de vivre cast in music



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ANTHONY B IN HAMBURG, GERMANY

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The first day of Europe's biggest reggae festival - it is already its 26th edition in 2011 - was a condign kickoff. Although the weather was windy and unsettled, to say the least, some of the artists managed to bring out the sun.



Burning Spear, Ken Boothe, Jimmy Cliff, Midnite, Junior Reid, Clinton Fearon, Sly & Robbie, Junior Kelly, Danakil, Protoje, Pressure, Queen Ifrica, Gyptian and many more...



Interviews with Gappy Ranks, Romain Virgo, Alpha Blondy, Barrington Levy, Max Romeo, Anthony B, Ziggy Marley, Sara Lugo, Busy Signal, Andrew Tosh and many more...



Gentleman, Tony Rebel, Queen Ifrica, Shinehead, John Holt, Macka B, Ganjaman, Nosliw, Mono & Nikitaman, Ray Darwin, Uwe Banton, Sebastian Sturm and many more...



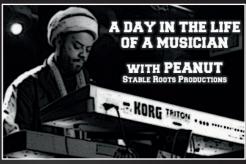
After the show, Lee Perry gave a press conference, which was more a Lee Scratch Perry show. That show didn't end with a happy end for one journalist who got kicked out.

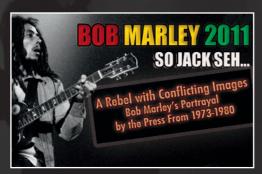


Shaggy, Sean Paul, Gyptian, Horace Andy, Aswad, Etana, Busta Rhymes and many more...

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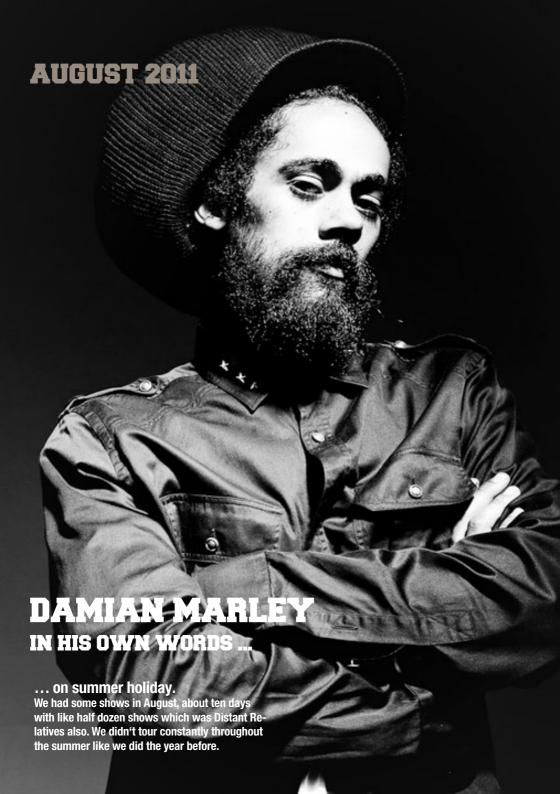
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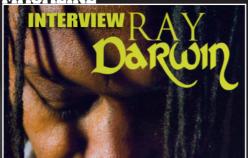
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INTERVIEW: RAY DARWIN

He started to do music way back in the 1980s, but his life was never easy and involved many detours and turns. In 2006, his single People's Choice became an instant classic in his native Jamaica. It would take him another five years to release his first album, also called People's Choice.



REVIEW: BEENIE MAN BIRTHDAY BASH IN NEW YORK

Around 3am the King of the Dancehall, Beenie Man, was escorted through the crowd to his VIP area that was set up in front of the stage. White curtains were draped around the exclusive area with balloons bellowing around the entire venue. Huge gold lion statues welcomed (and protected?) the guest of honor at the VIP entrance gates.



REVIEW: ROTOTOM SUNSPLASH 2011

"Sun is shining/weather is sweet": if he would still walk the earth, Bob Marley himself would certainly headline this 18th edition of Rototom Sunsplash, Europe's largest and easily longest reggae festival. Thousands and thousands of reggae lovers from all over the continent and beyond arrived in all too perfect meteorological conditions in...



SIZZLA IN MOTOR CYCLE CRASH

"Dancehall artiste Sizzla is now hospitalized in stable condition following a motor cycle crash in St Ann this evening. Sizzla, whose real name is Miguel Collins reportedly crashed along the Salem main road near Runaway Bay around 8:30pm"

THE OBSERVER SAYS...



SIZZLA STILL STABLE: MACKA DIAMOND'S CAR ROBBED, VANDALISED: ROBBERT FFRENCH RELEASES THROWBACK REGGAE HITS: I-OCTANE BLAZING A TRAIL IN JAPAN: PETER TATCHELL PROMOTES JAMAICAN PRO-GAY REGGAE ARTISTE: SAYING GOODBYE TO JOEL CHIN

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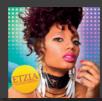
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Interview: Nkulee Dube













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CE'CILE - JAMAICANIZATION

In fact, Jamaicanization is an album to listen to from beginning to end. It works for the dancehall fanatics, it works for a (more or less) mainstream audience, it works in a club as well as a background soundtrack while having breakfast, doing the ironing or what ever.



WE REMEMBER GREGORY ISAACS

We Remember Gregory Isaacs comes with extensive liner notes and two CDs. Dean Fraser recorded the polished instrumental versions with his band in a single day. When finished, he figured that adding vocals would add a nice additional touch. Indeed, this album is free of any letdowns.



LONG DAYS SHORT NIGHTS RIDDIM

Once more Philip ,Fatis' Burrell proves musical sensitivity and finesse with this brand new riddim released on Xterminator Productions. Teaming up with Riddim Twin Sly Dunbar and bassist Donald "Danny Bassie" Dennis he created a refreshing piece of music making you just want to get up and sway and easily skank to it.



REGGAE'S GONE COUNTRY

Reggae and country are strange bedfellows only to those with just a passing acquaintance with either. Country has been hugely popular in the Caribbean since the days of Jim Reeves and Marty Robbins and has a close connection with another Jamaican pleasure - gospel. Both styles involve simple songs of love, poverty and faith.





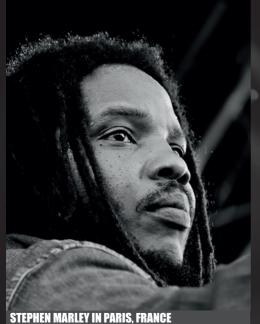






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LUCIANO IN COLOGNE, GERMANY

TOOTS & THE MAYTALS IN PARIS, FRANCE

ELEPHANT MAN IN PARIS, FRANCE

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GRAMPS MORGAN IN CASTIADAS, ITALY



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Here we are. It's Reggae Jam! Germany's favorite reggae festival started of with a big surprise. Not in terms of an unexpected musical act but in terms of lovely sunshine....



Etana, Utan Green, Assassin, D-Flame, Konshens, Pressure, Protoje, Luciano, Gappy Ranks, No-Maddz, Prezident Brown, Romain Virgo, Don Corleon and more...



Romain Virgo, Gappy Ranks, General Degree, Etana, Luciano, Linton Kwesi Johnson, Big Youth, Protoje, Pressure, Iqulah, Chezidek, Assassin, Mad Professor...



Dub Inc, The Heptones, Danakil, Patrice, Takana Zion, Wailing Souls, Stephen Marley, Richie Spice, Professor, Luciano, Romain Virgo, Winston McAnuff and many more..



Jimmy Cliff, Patrice, Capleton, Tippa Irie, Toots & The Maytals, D-Flame, Sara Lugo, Ziggy Marley, Linvall Thompson, Lee Scratch Perry, Perfect, Lutan Fyah and more..



Alpha Blondy, Toots & The Maytals, Luciano, Junior Kelly, Linval Thompson, Sebastian Sturm, Ganjaman, Uwe Banton, Ky-Enie, Cornadoor, Bantaba, Soundquake

PERSONAL HIGHLIGHTS 2011

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SEAN PAU

The entire year was good. I give thanks for every step of my life. From gettin a knee operation to shooting videos, promoting the album and producing. I give thanks for my life!



NO-MADDZ

The Trod through Europe was a major stride in our musical adventure. The friendships made and new lovers of No-Maddz's Bongo music has been a blessing. We will not forget our first European festival appearance on Ruhr Reggae Summer in Mühlheim; a cold and rainy day that tested the strength of the band while highlighting the love of Europeans for our home (Jamaica)... a very fun performance. Also, the artistic and spiritual aura of Essen city was the perfect camp base for the 3 months of rehearsals that harnessed our craft that brought a much greater strength our magic... well... music. Nevertheless, Reggae Jam in Bersenbrück was overall a maiestic feel blended with bliss: it can be embraced as the acme of our summer... "Tell No One You Have Seen Me" Give Thanks, Love.



DUBITERIAN

2011 was a year full of highlights. In the winter (brazilian time) I have worked with Eek-A-Mouse, have signed a digital distribution contract with VP and released Fitta Warris Album R.R.R. produced/mixed by me. In the following months I started working with the original Scientist on some dub versions of roots classics by Cornell Campbell, Johnny Clarke and others. I'm recording melodica on King Tubbys original master tapes that will be remixed by the scientist and released on vinyl in 2012. In November I went to Mexico and Los Angeles for the 3rd tour. The highlight was definitely the show at the dub club L.A. Minutes after my performance a very special quest went up on stage: Jimmy Cliff, who did a surprise appearance.



KONSHENS

My highlight in 2011 came in November when I had the opportunity to perform in Africa for the first time!!! The level of the love there cannot be described with words!! And I'm very good with words so you can imagine... Nairobi! Kenya!!!



DUANE STEPHENSON

This year I performed at the Pan American Games which has 130 million viewers worldwide. They chose our song "A Step For Mankind" which myself Family Man Barrett and the Wailers performed for the televised presentation. The song benefits the World Food Programme.



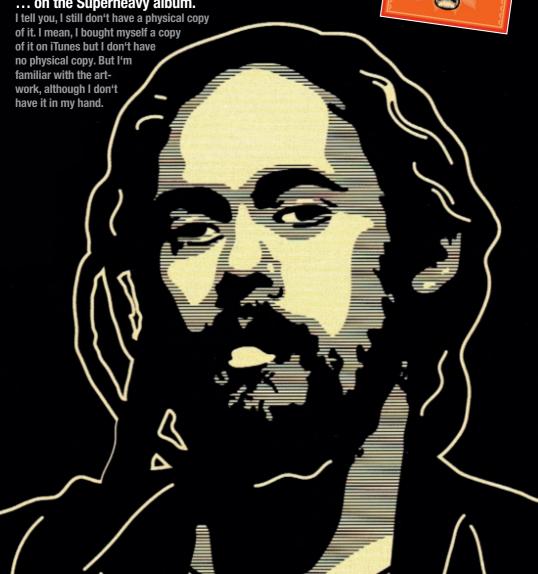
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This year has been crazy for me in terms of building up my career and also my personal living situation. Now I live in Kingston, Jamaica. In this year I also built my own music studio (inspired music concepts), we released "Like a lion (Hotsteppa)" in Jamaica and that song was a hit, playing on all main Reggae stations worldwide. In 2011 I did two European tours and several big shows in Jamaica. In October was the release of my album .Unstoppable' - straight chart entry in Canada at #2 on iTunes Reggae album charts and at #7 in USA. Cali P works from day to day and there is so much more to come... inspired!"

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INTERVIEW: ADDE INSTRUMENTALS

Songs like ,Summer Time', ,Open Up' and 'Bike back' were some of Vybz Kartel's biggest hits in 2011 and essential must-plays at dancehall parties all over the globe.To the surprise of many the man behind the productions is a young Swede, his name: Adde Instrumentals.



DENROY MORGAN ARRESTED

According to the NY Times, Denroy Morgan has been arrested on wednesday, 9/15/2011. When Denroy Morgan blew through a stop sign in the Bronx on Wednesday, he began a chain of events that ended with the arrest of two people and the discovery of a stash of shrink-wrapped bales of more than 300 pounds of marijuana.



MOBO AWARDS 2011 - JAH CURE DISQUALIFIED

Jah Cure has been removed from the list recently when the organisers found out that he had been convicted of rape in 1999, found guilty of gun possession and robbery and spent time behind bars before being released in 2007.



INTERVIEW: SUGA ROY & CONRAD CRYSTAL

At Reggae Jam 2011 singer Conrad Crystal and deejay Suga Roy made their first live appearance in Germany touring their 3rd album: Universal Tribute to Gregory Isaacs. Where many of the most memorable performers at festivals could be said to have held the crowd in the ...

THE OBSERVER SAYS...



Leonard Dillon of the Ethiopians is dead: Marley dominates Billboard reggae chart: Lutan Fyah alive and kicking in Zimbabwe: Gyptian, DJ Frass argument turns deadly: Denroy Morgan remains in lock-up: South Africa welcomes Ifrica. Tony Rebel

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GENTLEMAN & RICHIE STEPHENS



MICHAEL ROSE - GUNMAN



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Ray Darwin @ Riddim 10th Anniversary

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PRESSURE - ALL I WANT



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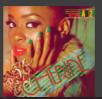
RAGING FYAH - FAR AWAY



WARRIOR KING - JAH IS THE ONLY











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FYAH T - NEXT GENERATION FAMILY

The small label Oneness from Munich in Germany is known for delivering fresh modern roots riddims voiced by a lot of big names like Capleton or Luciano. But also for discovering aspiring newcomers. Two of the nicest albums of the last two years, Naptali's "Long Journey" and Sara Lugo's "What about love" are Oneness productions.



J BOOG - BACKYARD BOOGIE

It's easy to get confused about J Boog, it seems. Firstly it's easy to confuse his name with the rapper, also from California, called JBoog. Secondly, it's easy to get confused as to his background: often described as Hawaiian he is in fact of Samoan descent and simply resides in Hawaii. But there is nothing confusing about J Boog's music...



SUPERHEAVY - SUPERHEAVY

The idea of creating this supergroup was actually born in the heads of Mick Jagger and Dave Stewart, thus two rich European music legends with homes in Jamaica. Their aim was to combine as many different musical backgrounds and genres as possible in this project. Why they wanted Jamaican influences?



WARRIOR KING - TELL ME HOW ME SOUND

Let us tell Warrior King how he sounds! Tell Me How Me Sound is 19 tunes mostly of solid roots to modern roots reggae. This is no surprise to Warrior King's fans, neither are the prevailing of love lyrics and conscious praise tunes. King chose a good list of more foundation-oriented riddims produced by Steely & Clevie, Sly & Robbie....











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RUS RILEY IN NEW YORK, USA

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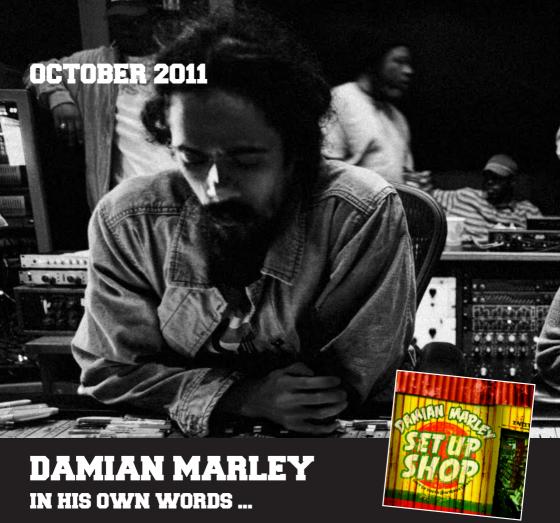
KONSHENS IN WUPPERTAL, GERMANY

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...on the Set Up Shop single.

I wanted to release some dancehall singles that we have been working on and that's one of those ideas we had for a little while now. It's time to speak of encouragement, to earn for yourself and your family. I'm trying to speak to the people on the street, so it's the language that street people understand but it's really a word of encouragement. Take your destiny in your hands and move forward in a positive way. Set up shop, get some business going, get things going, get on the move. Nothing is going happen if you're just sitting down everyday waiting for something to fall out of the sky. That's really what it is, it's motivation and especially looking at what happened in Jamaica over the last two years. We need that kind of encouragement right now.

... on watching news on politics.

I'm interested to a certain degree. Sometimes it's a bit much, there is so much of it all over. But if you know one story, you know all because it's basically the same story everywhere. It is about the sacrifice of the masses. That's why I wrote a song like Set Up Shop because really in the true sense Jamaica is the inspiration but it's still relevant to Egypt, it's relevant to Zimbabwe, it's relevant to everywhere. Nowadays the media is everywhere. When you're trying to check your e-mail you have flashes of what's going on in the world before you even get actually into your e-mails. You can't really hide from it. And if you're not looking for it, it will still look for you.

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DENNIS BROWN TO RECEIVE ORDER OF DISTINCTION

The government of Jamaica will finally honor the late Dennis Brown, the 'Crown Prince of Reggae' for his outstanding achievements and contribution to the development of Jamaican music. The posthumous national award, the Order of Distinction; O.D.Commander Class is bestowed on citizens of Jamaica who have rendered outstanding...



ALBOROSIE WINS MOBO AWARD 2011

The winners for the MOBO Awards were revealed last night at the 16th staging of the event held for the second time in Scotland. Alborosie, was among the list of winners announced for the night, bagging the best reggae accolade at the event. His competitors for this award were Damian Marley & Nas, Mavado, Khago.



PETER TOSH - A RETROSPECTIVE LOOK

Peter Tosh would have been 67 on October 19. 2011. It has been 24 years since one of the worlds and reggae music's greatest artists and most articulate and influential voices were silenced by an assassin's gun. The government of Jamaica has yet to honor him with a national award for his monumental contribution to the development of Jamaica's reggae music.



VYBZ KARTEL ARRESTED / CHARGED FOR MURDER

Kartel Charged For Murder! "Investigators from the Major Investigation Taskforce (MIT) this evening charged dance-hall deejay Vybz Kartel with murder, conspiracy to murder and illegal possession of firearm." [...] We definitely are looking into his role in the double murder of two men in Portmore and charges relating to that incident may be levelled at him soon."

THE OBSERVER SAYS...



SEAN PAUL'S GOT 2 LUY U HITTING US MARKET: SINEAD O'CONNOR COLLA-BORATES WITH KEMAR 'FLAVA' McGregor: Cherine partners with Yo-PLAIT AGAINST BREAST CANCER: MAYADO LOOKING TO AFRICA?: JUSTIN BIEBER GONE REGGAE?: I LOVE BOB MARLEY. I LISTEN TO HIM EVERYDAY 68 YEARBOOK 2011 OCTOBER

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MAVADO - SETTLE DOWN



POPCAAN - CLEAN



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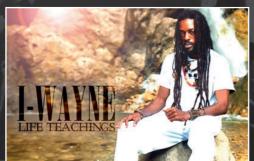
SEBASTIAN STURM AND EXILE AIRLINE - GET UP & GET GOING

While other artists keep on asking what happened to good, premium Roots Reggae music these days, German youngster Sebastian Sturm does not waste time and simply plays that sound. The high-grade Roots music he records live with excellent musicians takes you right back into the 1970s, the heyday of Roots Reggae.



CALI P - UNSTOPPABLE

Coming in with a reverberated guitar melodically floating on the plain and simple yet never boring electronic beat Cali P opens Unstoppable by praising the Most High with his first track Jah Rule The World. Dreadful, a song fans might already know from the Like a Lion soundtrack is followed by the pre-released combination D'Sunne Schiint.



I-WAYNE - LIFE TEACHINGS

It was in 2005 when I Wayne emerged on the scene with instant classics like Can't Satisfy Her, Lava Ground, Living in Love and the accompanying album Lava Ground. Now, more than half a decade later, he delivers his third album for VP, Life Teachings, which makes one feel like going back in time as the album sounds pretty much like "Lava Ground Reloaded".



JOSH HEINRICHS - SATISFIED

Former lead singer of the band Jah Roots, Springfield, Missouri-born Heinrichs has a style that can be as varied as the multitude of artists in reggae around the globe. That is what works in the modern era of downloaded tracks versus album-oriented songwriting. And by the looks of it, his music has made quite an impact in the digital download arena.











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GROUNDATION IN PARIS, FRANCE

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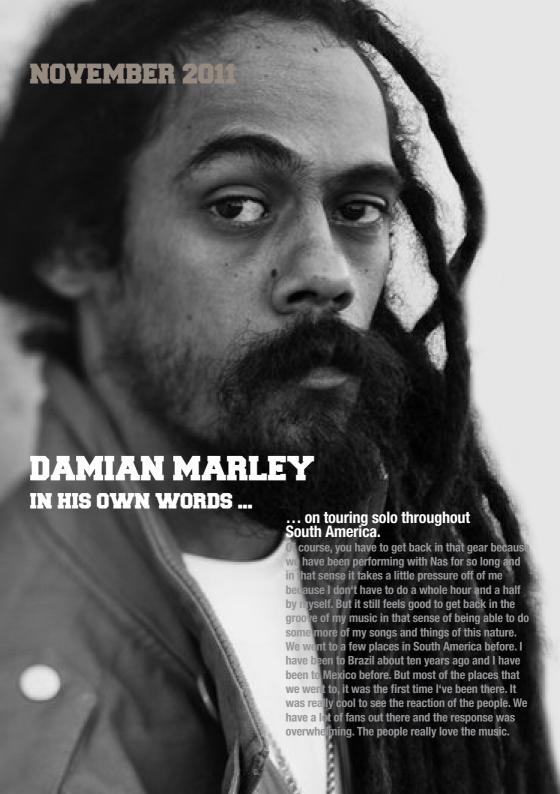






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INTERVIEW WITH CALL P - INSPILIRED!

Cali P, Unstoppable, the title of your new album sounds like a motto or an announcement. Like you have overcome some obstacles. What's the meaning behind the term "unstoppable"? Very true. Life is full of obstacles. No matter who you are or where you are. Still the name "unstoppable" is coming of the vibe that we are on right now.



REVIEW: THIRD WORLD IN LOS ANGELES

This was a highly anticipated evening at the world renowned Roxy Theatre, situated on the Sunset Strip in West Hollywood, California. The intimate setting with great sound and lights has hosted reggae's finest musicians and this night, ten times Grammy nominated artists, Third World graced the stage for an international live stream



REPORT: ELEPHANT MAN IN WUPPERTAL, GERMANY

90 minutes after the club opened its gates the beats of 2010's Mad Collab Riddim resounded and announced the arrival of O'Neil Morgan Hughlin Bryant a.k.a. Elephant Man. A black dressed man with a silver-glitter chain around his neck and yellow-orange hair bound to two small piggytails entered the stage - "This is how we do it" opened up a crazy show adopted very well by the massive in typical...



KARTEL ESCAPED FROM PRISON!?

Breaking News: Vybz Kartel Escaped From Prison, Now Listed As Jamaica's Most That headline spreads like wildfire on Facebook, Twitter, etc... right now, but there is still only one source of that story, which reads like a movie. If that story is true, it will surely be confirmed soon by the Jamaica Observer or Gleaner, but till then.. it reads like a big fake, which turns out to be a good promotion move...

THE OBSERVER SAYS...



YELLOWMAN COLLABS WITH UP-AND-COMING ARTISTE: CEDELLA MARLEY PENS ANOTHER CHILDREN'S BOOK: CELEBRATING HIS IMPERIAL MAJESTY : 'Barry Heptones' dies in hospital: Shaggy, Sly & Robbie collab COMING: IS REGGAE RELEVANT? :: TUFF GONG GOING STRONG:

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DIANA KING - AGIRLNAMEKING

Diana King, Jamaica's #1 selling female with over 5 million units sold worldwide of her debut album Tougher Than Love has returned on her third release, AgirLnaMeKing. She trods ground that is similar to that followed in her past success formula with lyrics that explore love and romance seasoned with a mix of Jamaican patois and rhythm...



As a musician and producer from Jamaica, Andrew "Bassie" Campbell has been checking for the Midnite sound for nearly a decade. In this time of riddims and sets, the art of the album is at times a lost path. As the conceptual producer and a musician on the album recounts to Reggaeville "I first hear Midnite when I was doing a show with Junior...



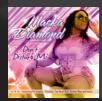
ROCK N SWAY RIDDIM

Rarely the title of a riddim suited a production so perfectly as does the latest release from the powerhouse label Xterminator, making its listeners unconsciously Rock N Sway right when the first notes sound off the speakers. For his brand new work Philip 'Fatis' Burrell once more teamed up with some of the most excellent musicians reggae has to offer.



JIMMY CLIFF - SACRED FIRE EP

After a 7 year hiatus and his enrolment into the Rock 'n' Roll Hall Of Fame, Jimmy Cliff is now back with a 5 track EP that goes someway in returning him to where it all began. The release has been put together with the aid of Tim Armstrong from ska/punk band Rancid and leads with a cover of the seminal punk and reggae cross from the Clash "The Guns of Brixton".











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SEBASTIAN STURM IN KREFELD, GERMANY



COCOA TEA IN WUPPERTAL, GERMANY



ALBOROSIE IN PARIS, FRANCE



ETANA IN MODENA, ITALY





OUTLOOK 2012...

... on upcoming releases.

Lots of things have happened during the year. There is a lot work that has been done that hasn't released yet. I have been working with a lot of young artists like my nephews Joseph and Daniel. They released a few a tracks this year. And I did some work with Christopher Ellis and another young artist by the name of Black Am I. We also worked with Wayne Marshall and other people outside of just immediate family - we started to do a lot more with our extended family. We have some music that we're working on and some stuff to come out next year. Stephen is working on the part two of his album that was released earlier on. He is finishing the part two now. So a lot of things are happening behind the scenes really, to tell you the truth.

... on the Distant Relatives tour throughout Africa.

We have been trying to put that together but it is easier said than done. That's really what we want to do! We want to go to Africa, be there for like two, three weeks and try to tour the continent rather than just do one show and come back home. We want to go a couple of different places and do a number of concerts. That's what we've been trying to organize and slowly but surely it's coming together but I cannot tell you exactly when as yet. We definitely feel that we have to do it with the album being really based upon Africa. Not to go there and play the music would be a shame. We definitely know it's important but we want to do it right.

... on a Superheavy tour.

There is nothing on the table at the moment. Of course I could get a call any of those days but at the moment there is no concrete plan.

... on the Olympic Games.

I'm a big fan of the Jamaican track team. During the last Olympics I was watching it live when they were winning the races. It was a whole lot of joy and I'm proud of that. We're definitely looking forward to that and hopefully we can be a part of some of the festivities. I'd love to see how it goes!

... on the meaning of ,Gongzilla'.

It doesn't really have a special meaning. I like it, people like it (laughs). It puts a smile on your face and that's the most important thing.

... on his plans for 2012.

Next year we're trying to get Jamaican artists to be more visible in mainstream of Reggae music. When you take a look at the charts right now internationally you really have an abscence of the music that comes from Jamaica. So we really want to help and be an advocat for Jamaican artists to be exposed and that should reflect on the international charts. Nothing is wrong with people from other places doing Reggae music, it's just about the abscence of the Jamaican music. If you look at the Reggae charts right now, there is a lot of music that is made but not made from Jamaica. Being on the mainstream charts is one thing. Of course I would definitely love to see Etana being played alongside Amy Winehouse, But I'm talking about our original group of fans and our circle of Reggae music and in our circle internationally you don't find a lot of Jamaican artists shining through right now. That's what I mean, there is an overall presence needed.

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SOLOMONIC TUFF GONG



BUNNY WAILER REVEALS ALI

Last week Bunny Wailer started a new blog with his first post titled Wailers Trilogy: Robbery - Conspiracy - Murder. [...]I Bunny Wailer am therefore relying upon the support and understanding of the well wishers global and fans of The Wailers to join in the support for justice regarding The Wailers and therefore must be confidently sure and...



And the nominees are...Best Reggae Album For albums containing at least 51% playing time of new vocal or instrumental reggae recordings. The eligibility period for the 2012 Grammy Awards is September 1, 2010 to September 30, 2011. Notable fact: the Superheavy project by Mick Jagger, Damian Marley, Joss Stone, Dave Stewart...



INTERVEW: I-WAYNE

You are characterized by your peers as a a hard worker. What was it like for you growing up and how did you get your musical training? First of all I grew up around a musical family, some of the time with my mommy and daddy but most of the time I grew up with my auntie and my aunt's husband who is Ansel Collins.



SEEED TOUR IN 2012

Seeed just announced a major tour in Germany (plus a few shows in Austria and Switzerland) for november/december 2012. The tour kicks off in Nuremberg at the Arena and moves to Zurich, Munich, Hamburg and Cologne.. just to name a few stops. In Cologne they will perform in the Lanxess Arena, which has a capacity of 18.000!

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ELEPHANT MAN DUPED IN UGANDA: SHOWS WILL GO ON DESPITE ELECTION: MARLEY LEGACY IN JEOPARDY?: SIZZLA THRILLS NIGERIANS: BANDS BATTLE TO DEFEND JA TITLE: TRIBUTES APLENTY AT LLEWELLYN'S FOND FAREWELL: XTERMINATOR PRODUCER PHILIP 'FATTIS' BURRELL IS DEAD

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GAPPY RANKS - HAD ENOUGH



LYRICSON - SMILE FOR ME



MADINKA WARRIOR & MR.WILLIAMZ



MR.VEGAS - BRUK IT DOWN

Alborosie & The Shengen Clan



@ REGGAE JAMDOWN PARTY IN DORTMUND, GERMANY

Danakil feat. Natty Jean



IN COLOGNE, GERMANY



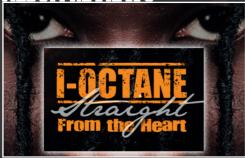








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I OCTANE - STRAIGHT FROM THE HEART EP

I-Octane has risen to the top of the heap without a full length release by being part of this movement, as a sort of swag Rasta, using R&B style riddims and combining them with his powerful ability to write a great hook like on what I feel is for example the set's strongest tune, "Problems Gone".



DERAJAH & THE DONKEY JAW BONE - PARIS IS BURNING

"Paris burnin' down", anounces a chant that, would you not know better, might almost lead you to expect an album recorded by Gregorian monks. Instead you get to listen to an exquisite Gaulish-Jamaican roots joint venture. Derajah enjoys listening to church chants. An active recording artist since the late 90s, the conscious roots singer hailing...



C SHARP - THE INVITATION

Lately the world reggae media has awoken to Jamaican bands such as Dubtonic Kru, Uprising Band and Raging Fyah. But there is another set of players who've been on the scene for almost as long as the Kru and deserve a share of the spoils. C-Sharp are Edna Manley music grads who came to this writer's attention in 2006 backing Turbulence and Queen Ifrica in London and have recently...



REDEEMER RIDDIM

When Naptali hit the scene with his 2010 debut album Long Journey, the reggae world was introduced to the works of Oneness Records: authentic modern roots music, handmade and with a focus on sophisticated arrangements. The Redeemer Riddim, already known by the heads from Naptali's title track Redeemer, is characteristic for the production process employed by Oneness.











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ALPHA BLONDY IN MANTOVA, ITALY



DANAKIL & NATTY JEAN IN COLOGNE, GERMANY



ALBOROSIE IN DORTMUND, GERMANY



THE GLADIATORS IN DORTMUND, GERMANY

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BEENIE MAN IN CAMPI SALENTINA, ITALY



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#2 Alborosie
2 Times Revolution



#5 Luciano Rub-A-Dub Market



#6 Ziggy Marley Wild And Free



#7 Etana Free Expressions



#10 Ziggi Recado Ziggi Recado



#12 Gappy Ranks Thanks & Praise



13 Vybz Kartel Kingston Storv



#14 Cali P Unstonnable



#15 Gentleman & The Evolution
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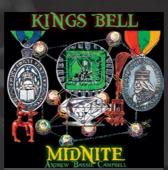
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#9 Midnite Kings Bell



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#15 Ce'Cile



#17 Perfect

Back For The First Time



#18 Superheavy Superheavy



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PERSONAL HIGHLIGHTS 2011

Compiled by Ursula Münch, Justine Ketola, Markus Hautmann & Julian Schmidt



One of two most exciting memories of 2011 was the birth of my band Rockfort Rebels and recording a TV special for the International Travel Channel, I've always dreamed about playing with my own band and to see that dream become a reality was awesome. The second most exciting thing that happened in 2011 was the opportunity to work with Yoplait Yogurt and the Jamaica Cancer Society on the "Save Lids to Save Lives" Breast Cancer campaign. After losing a few members of my family to the deadly disease I have always wanted to do more in this area. Contributing as the campaign's spokesperson was one of the most gratifying things I have done in recent years. I hope to do even greater work in this capacity in the coming year.



I-TAWEH

The week when I went to Irie FM in Jamaica and did all those interviews and had all of these disc jockeys play the songs from Overload, I heard and saw for myself and it was a prime time in my life.



ETANA

Many people did not make it this far in flesh for 2011 including Joel Chin. I pray the Most High bless his soul and that he's gone to a good place. Give thanks to all my fans who supported me in the reggae festivals this summer and look forward to an even greater summer next year with a brand new album. Reggaeville where reggae lives - we had a great time in Germany, I'll never forget that! Nuff Love



RON MUSCHETTE (IRIE FM)

This year has been a guiet year in terms of our musical achievements. It has been a quiet vear as far as chart-topping for reggae, not so much for massive sales in the millions. Here in Jamaica from being on the radio, we had some accomplishments from people like Stephen Marley. But there have not been many shows because of the economy. We lost a few artistes, it is rough to see some of the foundational artists go.



I actually have two memorable moments for 2011. The first was Rebel Salute on January 15, 2011. There were scattered showers all over Jamaica vet Rebel Salute was iam packed. To see Toots Hibbert, Tarrus Riley, Beres Hammond and Queen Ifrica sharing the stage with Mavado, performing as David Brooks, was a memorable experience.

The second was when Queen Ifrica and I entered the Johannesburg airport for the first time as ambassadors of music courtesy of the Government of Jamaica and the Embassy of South Africa and were escorted by police and greeted by a huge contingent of fans. A press conference was held in the airport and we were then able to go to Soweto to see the homes of Nelson Mandela, Bishop Desmond Tutu and Winnie Mandela. We even went to Robben Island and saw where Nelson Mandela was imprisoned.



ODEL JOHNSON

The Hot and Spicy festival at the Harborfront Centre in Toronto in September was a large audience for us, my band The Guvament and I headlined there and it was a great community show. And they opened a new commercial radio station here in Toronto that is focused on reggae and Caribbean music, G 98.7. I get a lot of support for my music from them since they went on air.



JOHN MASOURI

My daughter Zoey had a baby in November. It's my first grandchild and I'm so happy about this. She told me that I could choose his middle name, or at least make suggestions. I told her that for years, every time I'd walk into a room of Jamaicans, someone would yell, ,Bumboclaat Masouri!" Funny, because she turned down that idea. Can't imagine why...



DUBTONIC KRU

February 26th 2011 is a date that sticks out in our memory, we took a two day trip to Malaysia, where we were among numerous bands that won their national leg of a global band competition called "Global Battle Of The Bands", we were now in Malaysia for the world finals. There we were victorious and was named .. New best band in the world" for 2010. It was a competition of various musical genres that involved countries from all around the world such as Russia. China. Brazil and many more. Following that, we embarked on our independently produced "Celebration Tour 2011", which spanned from U.S.A to Europe for three and a half months. At the end we were presented with a "Congressional Proclamation" by Congress woman Yvette Clarke from New York and the "Simba Award" by CPR at the Reggae Culture Salute, 2011 has been a productive year for us.



NATTY

I have been very lucky in life, because I get to travel the world and play music for a living, however I had never been to America. So My personal highlight of 2011 was receiving a phonecall saying that Ziggy Marley has invited me to tour America with him. The trip was pretty special. I have seen a lot of things in the media about America, but nobody ever tells you how vast and beautiful the countryside is. Check out this pic from the tour.... Also the people are real friendly and warm. Nuff love to everybody we met on tour there, and especially Ziggy Marley 4 the invite. Anyway I look 4wd to getting back on the road for 2012!



TIPPA IRIE

The highlight of my musical career this year was playing all the European festivals like Reggae Geel, Chiemsee Festival, Reggae Sun Ska and Boomtown Fair. It was a joy. I would like to thank all of my reggae fans for continued support. See you in the new year. Father spare life!!

REST IN PEACE 2011



PHILIP .FATIS' BURRELL

Philip ,Fatis' Burrell, 57, died at Kingston's University of the West Indies Hospital on Saturday Dec. 3 after he suffered a stroke.



HEAVY D

Celebrities of rap & R&B reposted his tweets in the Twitter timeline as news unfolded of his untimely passing from complications related to pneumonia in Beverly Hills, CA, November 8th.



BARRY LLEWELLYN

IrieFm reports that Barry fell ill and was taken to the Kingston Public hospital where he died on the morning of November 23rd!



JOEL CHIN

It is with great sadness that VP Records must announce the passing of Joel Chin at the age of 35. Joel was shot last night (Tuesday, August 16) outside his home in Jamaica.



Sparrow who was born Leonard Dillon died on the morning of September 28th 2011 at his daughter's home in Kingston after ailing for some time.

Copper Cat J.O.E. Risto Benii **Smiley Culture** Jah Woosh **Anthony Doyley [Knowledge] Llovd Knibb [The Skatalites] Lloyd Ricketts [The Itals]**

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