

Throwback: Blaze- So Special



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Blaze started out as a trio with Kevin Hedge, Josh Milan and Chris Hebert in 1984. Hebert was the singer, Milan played keyboards and Hedge handled the production duties. [“Yearnin’”](#) was their first single to come out one year after they became a unit. The New Jersey group would not have a full-length album until they released *25 Years Later* in 1990 on the Motown label. “So Special” is from that album in addition to [“Get Up”](#) and “Love Is Forever.” Soon after the release of their first project Hebert left the group. Milan and Hedge decided to focus on dance music and they already had success with a remix of Lisa Stansfield’s [“People Hold On”](#) in 1989. De’Lacy’s “Hideaway” was produced by Blaze in ’94 and it proved to be another global success that firmly established them as major players on the dance scene. The duo put that passion for club culture into their own party called The Shelter. Throughout the ’90’s they would release several recognizable club records including [“My Beat,”](#) [“Wishing You Were Here,”](#) [“Seasons Of Love”](#) and [“Take A Stand For Love”](#) among a profuse number of other tracks as artists and producers. Blaze has been equally prolific in making albums and singles demonstrating an output that is usually rare for dance-oriented artists. They have recorded under the pseudonyms Exit, Phase II, Klubhead, Blaze Team, The Klub Family and Urban Art Trio. A Blaze remix is a distinct experience that always identifies itself. [The Shelter](#) is still going strong in New York City and [Housemasters](#) is their most current release.

Lateef The Truthspeaker – Oakland (Mocky remix)



Lateef The Truthspeaker just premiered the Mocky remix of “Oakland” that features Del The Funky Homosapien and The Grouch. His Firewire solo debut will be released on November 8th.

[Download “Oakland” \(Mocky Remix\)](#)

Beyonce’s Feminism Get’s Called Out for Fela Kuti Adulation in Huffington Post Article



Senior Editor at Yourblackworld.com questions Beyonce Knowles for continuous reverence of Afro-Beat legend Fela Kuti

“The fact that Beyonce Knowles, a self-proclaimed feminist who recently declared that “Girls Run The World”, appeared in L’Officiel Paris in blackface to honor Fela and his 27 “Queens”– even though he physically abused them – is a testament to the one dimensional perspective through which we examine Fela. It is also an ironic reflection of his priorities that the controversy generated over the images was due to her unfortunate choice to mimic racist satire – not her

celebration of domestic violence, which disproportionately affects the Black and African-American women she claims to empower. In allowing herself to be blinded by his skewed mythology – that she protects and proliferates through her “iconic” photoshoot – she squandered an opportunity to not only speak out against violent crimes against women, but also to honor Fela’s true Queen: his mother, Funmilayo.”

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Action Bronson & Statik Selektah Are Well Done



Qualified chef-turned-rapper from Queens, New York, newcomer Action Bronson has built up a loyal following since he decided to leave the kitchen for a recording studio only 18 short months ago. However, the man Rolling Stone Magazine recently called the “Artist to Watch” didn’t stray too far from the kitchen, as he is well known for rapping about his culinary delights. Action’s experiences lend a unique flavour to his rhymes, where you’ll find witty mentions of duck prosciutto, Tunisian olives, smoked brisket and other delicacies along with vivid imagery of a modern-day Viking pillaging his way across New York.

Action recently linked up with Producer Statik Selektah, and a couple tracks turned into a whole project. What do you get when you combine one of the best Producers in the game and one of the best upcoming lyricists? Action Bronson & Statik Selektah call it Well Done.

This is an album hip-hop fans around the world have been yearning for. In the vein of classic producer & emcee albums; Bronson & Statik deliver one that will stand the test of time.

Well Done will be released on November 22nd courtesy of DCide Records and is now available for Pre-Order on iTunes: <http://itunes.apple.com/us/preorder/well-done/id473288366>.

The project's lead-single, "Cocoa Butter," features Nina Sky and a video was recently shot in Bronson & Nina Sky's home base of Queens.

Action & Statik will be touring extensively in support of the record, from the US to Canada to Europe

Action Bronson & Statik Selektah announce Well Done album & DCide Records signing (video):

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Tracklisting & Credits for Action Bronson & Statik Selektah "Well Done" LP:

1. Respect The Mustache
2. Time For Some ft Lil Fame of M.O.P.
3. Cocoa Butter ft. Nina Sky
4. White Silk
5. I Don't Need No Love
6. The Stick Up
7. Central Bookings ft. Meyhem Lauren
8. Cirque Du Soleil
9. The RainMaker
10. Love Letter
11. Not Enough Words
12. Terror Death Camp ft. Meyhem Lauren, Maffew Ragazzino, & AG Da Coroner
13. Miss Fordham Road (86' 87' 88')
14. Cliff Notes
15. Bon Voyage'

Well Done Tour Dates:

Friday Oct 21st New York, NY Action Bronson at Highline Ballroom – XXL CMJ Event w/ Machine Gun Kelly, Dom Kennedy, French Montana, Kid Ink, Chris Webby

Saturday Oct 22nd Brooklyn, NY Statik Selektah at Williamsburg Music Hall -Duck Down vs. Blacksmith CMJ Event w/ Talib Kweli, Pharoahe Monch, Buckshot, Jean Grae, Smif N Wessun, Kidz In The Hall

Saturday October 22nd New York, NY Action Bronson at Good Units – Fools Gold CMJ Event w/ N.O.R.E., A-Trak, Party Supplies, Danny Brown

Saturday October 22nd New York, NY Action Bronson – Converse CMJ Event at Santos Party House w/ Araab Muzik, Mr. MFN Exquire

Thursday Nov 3rd Montreal, Quebec Action Bronson at TBA

Friday November 4th Toronto, Canada Action Bronson at The Rivoli

Saturday Nov 5th Salt Lake City, UT Statik Selektah at Hotel Elevate

Monday Nov 7th at Salt Lake City, UT Action Bronson & Statik Selektah at Hotel Elevate

Wednesday Nov 9th New York, NY Action Bronson at Sullivan Hall

Monday Nov 12th Chicago, IL Action Bronson at TBA

Thursday Nov 17th Los Angeles, CA Action Bronson at The Wiltern w/ Chromeo

Saturday Nov 19th Rotterdam, The Netherlands Action Bronson at Exit

Friday Nov 25th Cambridge, MA Action Bronson at The Middle

East w/ Slaine

Friday December 16th Lowell, MA Statik Selektah at The Brewery
w/ Termanology