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AUSTRALIA'S ANTHONY PAPPA IS CONSIDERED ONE OF THE NATION'S BIGGEST ELECTRONIC MUSIC EXPORTS. FROM LAUNCHING HIS ILLUSTRIOUS CAREER AT THE YOUNG AGE OF 15 YEARS OLD IN HIS HOME TOWN OF MELBOURNE TO RISING TO THE TOP OF THE GLOBAL DJ ELITES, ANTHONY'S JOURNEY HAS BEEN A PERSONAL AND INFECTIOUS RIDE, A 'LOVE LETTER' TO HIS FANS AND THE MUSIC HE HAS DEVOTED HIMSELF TO FOR OVER 30 YEARS.

IN 1989, A YOUTHFUL ANTHONY ENTERED THE PRESTIGIOUS TECHNIC'S WORLD DMC CHAMPIONSHIPS, THE PINNACLE OF GLOBAL DJ SKILLS COMPETITION, THE COVETED EVENT AND A REVERED AWARD. AT ONLY 15, HE CLOSED THE GAP BETWEEN THE OLD GUARD AND NEW TALENT EMERGING OUT OF THE RISING ELECTRONIC MUSIC SCENE. DROPPING HIS SIGNATURE HOUSE MUSIC SOUND, FOR A TRADITIONAL HIP HOP APPROACH, HE TOOK HOME THE ACCOLADE OF WINNING THE DMC CHAMPIONSHIP, UNTIL 2017, WAS THE YOUNGEST WINNER OF THE AWARD.

NOTICED BY THE INDUSTRY, HE SLIPPED UNDER THE RADAR OF AUTHORITIES TO START PLAYING IN CLUBS AT THE AGE OF 16. ***"I WON THE COMPETITION WHEN I WAS 15, I STARTED PLAYING IN CLUBS STRAIGHT AFTER THAT, 16. I WAS UNDERAGE PLAYING IN CLUBS. I SHOULDN'T HAVE BEEN THERE. MY DAD WOULD DROP ME OFF AND I WOULD PLAY AND WHEN I'D FINISHED HE'D PICK ME UP,.... SERIOUS. THEY WERE OVER 18 VENUES YOU KNOW, AND I WAS A KID PLAYING. SO I STARTED PLAYING CLUBS EARLY AND, BY 21 I'D DEFINITELY DONE A LOT."***

IT WASN'T UNTIL MID-1994, AFTER A SUCCESSFUL AUSTRALIAN DJ CAREER, THAT ANTHONY TOOK THE OPPORTUNITY TO ENTER THE MIXMAG & MINISTRY OF SOUND DJ COMPETITION, AN OFF CHANCE THAT WOULD PROPEL HIS CAREER TO A STRATOSPHERIC TRAJECTORY. IT BOASTED A PRIZE OF PLAYING AT THE LEGENDARY LONDON CLUB FROM THE SUBMISSION OF A DJ SET. IT WAS THIS COMPETITION THAT HE WON AND WENT ON TO PLAY AT THE CLUB IN OCTOBER '94. THE EXPERIENCE OF PLAYING AT THE MINISTRY OF SOUND WAS TO HAVE SUCH AN INSPIRING IMPACT, THAT HE SOON DECIDED TO RELOCATE TO THE UK

"IN 1994 L ENTERED A MIXING COMPETITION WHICH WAS HELD BY MIXMAG MAGAZINE. THE COMPETITION WAS TO SEND A MIXTAPE AND THE WINNER WOULD GET TO PLAY A SET AT THE MINISTRY OF SOUND CLUB IN LONDON. MY MIXTAPE WAS SELECTED AS THE WINNER SO IN OCTOBER 1994 L FLEW TO THE UK AND PLAYED AT THE CLUB. AFTER SPENDING 3 WEEKS IN THE UK AND PLAYING AT A FEW OTHER CLUBS L THEN DECIDED THAT THIS WAS WHAT I WANTED TO DO SO IN MAY 1995 L MOVED TO THE UK".

THE MOVE WAS NOT IN VAIN AS IT WASN'T LONG BEFORE HIS TALENTS WERE PICKED UP BY A CORE GROUP OF THE UK'S MOST PROMINENT DJS ALONG WITH HIS CLOSE FRIENDSHIP WITH DAVE SEAMAN, WHO TOGETHER & FORGED A STRONG SQUAD OF PLAYERS THAT WOULD SHAPE THE SOUND OF THE EMERGING UK SOUND OF PROGRESSIVE HOUSE, WITH THE LIKES OF SASHA, JOHN DIGWEED WITH ANTHONY FAST BECOMING ONE OF THE SCENES BIG CONTRIBUTORS.

HE SOON BECAME QUITE A PREVALENT NAME AND IMPORTANT PLAYER WITHIN THE UK WHILST TOURING UP AND DOWN THE COUNTRY AT MANY OF THE MAJOR CLUBBING VENUES SUCH AS RENAISSANCE, CREAM AND MINISTRY OF SOUND. HE ALSO WENT ON TO WORK ALONGSIDE DAVE SEAMAN WHO WAS A&R AT STRESS RECORDS (PART OF THE MIXMAG / DMC ORGANISATION) AND BECOME PART OF THE TEAM

THE RISE OF THE DJ MIX ALBUMS HAD STARTED TO PLAY AN IMPORTANT FACTOR IN THE UK AND THE INTERNATIONAL CIRCUIT, AND ONCE AGAIN ANTHONY WAS PLAYING A ROLE IN ITS PROGRESSION WHILST CONTRIBUTING CRAFTED MIX COMPILATION ALBUMS FOR SERIES SUCH AS – GLOBAL UNDERGROUND, RENAISSANCE, BALANCE, PLATIPUS RECORDS, AND DJ MAGAZINE.





IN 2000, A CHANCE MEETING WITH ANDY FROM GLOBAL UNDERGROUND, QUICKLY CULMINATED IN A DISCUSSION OF A NEW SERIES TO BE RELEASED BY THE MUCH-LAUDED AND ICONIC LABEL, NUBREED, WITH AN INVITE TO KICK OFF THE SERIES, INSTANTLY TOOK ANTHONY PAPPA TO NEW HEIGHTS IN HIS CAREER AND SET THE SCENE FOR THE NEXT 2 DECADES.

“DOING THE FIRST NUBREED ALBUM FOR GLOBAL UNDERGROUND WAS MASSIVE FOR ME. IT CERTAINLY DID HELP SHIFT MY CAREER UP ANOTHER LEVEL FOR SURE. I WAS ALREADY TOURING THE WORLD BEFORE THIS ALBUM BUT AFTER THE RELEASE, IT GOT BUSIER WITH MORE AND MORE INTERNATIONAL GIGS”. - “IT WAS SUCH AN HONOUR TO DO THE FIRST MIX IN THE SERIES AND THE EXPOSURE WAS MASSIVE. I REMEMBER DRIVING THROUGH LONDON AND SEEING A PICTURE OF ME (THE ALBUM COVER) ON A MASSIVE BILLBOARD AND I ALMOST CRASHED MY CAR AS I WAS GOBSMACKED.”

WITH A LONG AND ESTEEMED LIST OF RECORDING VARIOUS ICONIC MIX COMPILATIONS WITH SCENE STALWARTS SUCH AS RENAISSANCE, STRESS RECORDS, PLATIPUS, EQ RECORDINGS, AND BALANCE, ANTHONY ALSO NATURALLY GRAVITATED TO THE RECORDING STUDIO EARLY IN HIS CAREER, PRODUCING SOME OF THE MOST ICONIC SINGLES IN THE LAST 20 YEARS. WITH OVER 100 RELEASES CREDITED UNDER VARIOUS GUISES, SELLING OVER 500 000 RECORDS, SINGLES AND COMPILATIONS, ANTHONY HAS CONSISTENTLY RAISED THE BAR IN PROGRESSIVE HOUSE AND ELECTRONIC MUSIC GLOBALLY, EARNING HIS REVERED STATUS AMONGST FANS AND DJS ALIKE.

FOLLOWING THE SUCCESS OF HIS GLOBAL UNDERGROUND ALBUM “NUBREED” TRANSFORMED HIS CAREER INTO THE A LIST LEVEL OF A-LIST LEVEL OF INTERNATIONAL TOURING DJS ALONG WITH PRESTIGIOUS RESIDENCIES AT SOME OF THE WORLD'S MOST ICONIC CLUBS, INCLUDING RENAISSANCE (NOTTINGHAM UK), TWILO (NEW YORK USA) AND WOMB (TOKYO JAPAN). WHILST CONSTANTLY HEADLINING MAJOR FESTIVALS SUCH AS GLASTONBURY UK, CREAMFIELDS UK, ID&T HOLLAND, EXTREMA BELGIUM, BPM MEXICO, TOMORROWLAND BELGIUM, SAMC ARGENTINA, ULTRA MIAMI USA AND EXIT SERBIA.

IN 2014, WITH OVER 20 YEARS OF TOURING THE GLOBE, REACHING ACROSS ALMOST EVERY COUNTRY, ANTHONY DECIDED TO HEAD BACK TO HIS HOMETOWN OF MELBOURNE TO SEEK A NEW DIRECTION IN HIS CAREER. “IT JUST FELT LIKE IT WAS THE RIGHT TIME, I WANTED TO TOUR ON MY OWN TERMS, TO CALL A PLACE HOME” AFTER A FEW TOUGH YEARS ADJUSTING TO A NEW PACE OF LIFE, SCENE AND ‘FINDING HIMSELF’ AGAIN, TRAGEDY STRUCK IN 2016 WHEN ANTHONY SUFFERED A LIFE-ALTERING ACCIDENT.

“GOING BACK OVER THE LAST COUPLE OF YEARS, IT'S BEEN A HUGE ROLLER COASTER FOR ME. IN MAY 2016 I WAS INVOLVED IN A VERY SERIOUS CAR ACCIDENT WHICH I WAS VERY LUCKY TO SURVIVE. I BROKE BOTH MY LEGS, MY ARM AND MY BACK IN 2 PLACES. WAS HOSPITALISED FOR 4 MONTHS AND CONFINED TO A WHEELCHAIR. AFTER 18 MONTHS OF PHYSIOTHERAPY AND LEARNING TO WALK AGAIN I REBUILT MYSELF PHYSICALLY AND MENTALLY AND HAVE ONLY BEEN BACK TO DJING IN THE LAST 4 YEARS OR SO. IT'S BEEN A CHALLENGE BUT I'M GRATEFUL TO BE HERE STILL AND THIS SECOND CHANCE OF LIFE”

COVID HAD THROWN MANY CHALLENGES TO THE MUSIC INDUSTRY AND WITH A HALT ON TOURING, ANTHONY DUG DEEP INTO HIS EXTENSIVE RECORD COLLECTION AND CREATED A WEEKLY STREAMING SESSION FOR HIS FANBASE, WHICH QUICKLY BECAME A HIGHLY ANTICIPATED WEEKLY SAVIOUR FOR THOSE IN LOCKDOWN, DRAWING IN A NEW FAN BASE GLOBALLY, ALONG WITH A RENEWED PASSION AND DRIVE FOR MUSIC.

“DJING AND MUSIC FOR ME IS MY LOVE, MY PASSION AND HAS BEEN WHAT I HAVE DEDICATED MOST OF MY LIFE TO. IT'S WHAT I DO, IT'S WHO I AM, IT'S JUST ME. I COULD NOT IMAGINE OR SEE MYSELF DOING ANYTHING ELSE. I LOVE WHAT I DO, IT MAKES ME HAPPY AND I LOVE THE FACT THAT WHAT I DO GIVES SO MANY PEOPLE SO MUCH JOY. THIS IS WHAT KEEPS ME DRIVING FORWARD AS A DJ.”

POST COVID, ANTHONY HAS ONCE AGAIN BEGUN HIS GLOBAL TOURING SCHEDULE, FASCINATING OLD AND NEW CROWDS ALIKE, CONTINUALLY PUSHING BOUNDARIES OF ELECTRONIC MUSIC IN A WAY THAT HAS GARNERED FANS AND INDUSTRY FOR OVER 30 YEARS, COUPLED WITH HIS RENEWED MUSIC PRODUCTION, ANTHONY IS JOINED IN THE STUDIO WITH ICONIC PROGRESSIVE HOUSE STALWART, JAMIE STEVENS (ALSO KNOWN AS ONE HALF OF LIVE ELECTRONIC ACT - INFUSION) TO BRING A FRESH APPROACH TO THE SOUND THEY HAVE CHAMPIONED OVER THE LAST 2 DECADES. TOGETHER DRAWING ON THEIR YEARS OF EXPERIENCE AND LONG FRIENDSHIP, PASSION FOR MAKING MUSIC HAS LED THEM TO RECENTLY RELEASE ON DAVE SEAMAN & STEVE PARRY'S SELADOR LABEL, WHILST REMIXING AN ASSORTMENT OF RELEASES ON MELBOURNE'S RECOVERY COLLECTIVE, FLOW MUSIC, MANGO ALLEY, UGENIUS MUSIC AND RE:SOUND MUSIC AS WELL AS A SOON TO BE RELEASED COLLECTION OF NEW PROJECTS.

DISCOGRAPHY

MIX CDS / MIX COMPILATIONS

IANTHONY PAPPA - COOKING UP A MIX (MDS)
ANTHONY PAPPA - DJ CULTURE 3 (STRESS RECORDS)
ANTHONY PAPPA - RENAISSANCE PRESENTS (RENAISSANCE RECORDINGS)
ANTHONY PAPPA - THE BEST OF CHOO CHOO (CHOO CHOO RECORDS)
ANTHONY PAPPA - THE BEST OF PLATIPUS (PLATIPUS RECORDS)
ANTHONY PAPPA - NU BREED (GLOBAL UNDERGROUND)
ANTHONY PAPPA - RESOLUTION (REACT)
ANTHONY PAPPA - THE JOURNEY
ANTHONY PAPPA - MIX MAG COVER CD
ANTHONY PAPPA - BALANCE 006 (BALANCE MUSIC)
ANTHONY PAPPA - RENAISSANCE THE CLASSICS VOL 1 (BMG)
ANTHONY PAPPA - RENAISSANCE THE CLASSICS VOL 2 (BMG)
ANTHONY PAPPA - MOMENTS VOL 1 (HIGH NOTE RECORDS)
ANTHONY PAPPA - MOMENTS VOL 2 (HIGH NOTE RECORDS)
ANTHONY PAPPA - DJ MAG TOP 100 COVER CD (DJ MAG)
ANTHONY PAPPA - DARKBEAT (XELON)
ANTHONY PAPPA - SELADOR SELECTED WORKS 2020 (SELADOR)
ANTHONY PAPPA - SELADOR SELECTED WORKS 2021 (SELADOR)
ANTHONY PAPPA - SELADOR SELECTED WORKS 2022 (SELADOR)

SINGLES

NFREEFALL - SHRUG (STRESS RECORDS)
FREEFALL - SKYDIVE (ORIGINAL MIX & DUB) (STRESS RECORDS)
FREEFALL - SKYDIVE (REMIXES) (SUPERFLY RECORDS)
FREEFALL - SKYDIVE (OLIVER MOLDAN REMIX) (KOSMO RECORDS)
FREEFALL - SKYDIVE (JOHN JOHNSON & SONO'S REMIX) (INCENTIVE)
FREEFALL - SKYDIVE (WAY OUT WEST REMIX) (RENAISSANCE RECORDINGS)
FREEFALL - SKYDIVE (MARA REMIX) (RENAISSANCE RECORDINGS)
FREEFALL - SKYDIVE (HIFI BUGS REMIX) (ZERO TOLERANCE RECORDS)
FREEFALL - SKYDIVE (PAUL THOMAS & BLUUM REMIX) (FSOE UV)
FREEFALL - SKYDIVE (MARCELO VASAMI REMIX) (STRESS RECORDS)
FREEFALL - SKYDIVE (JODY BARR REMIX / KIZ PATTISON REMIX) (WHITE LABEL)
KIM ENGLISH - I KNOW A PLACE (FREEFALL REMIX) (DMC)
FREEFALL - FEVER CALLED LOVE (FREEFALL REMIX) (DMC / RISING HIGH)
FUTURE FORCE - PUTTIN' A RUSH ON ME (FREEFALL REMIX) (DMC AM:PM)
SASHA FEAT. OLIVE- HORSE WITH NO NAME (ANTHONY PAPPA BOOTLEG MIX) (DMC)

THE BELOVED - SUN RISING (FREEFALL REMIX) (DMC)
VISIONS FEAT. DIANNE LYNNE - COMING HOME (FREEFALL REMIX) (STRESS RECORDS)
INNERSELF - GAUTAMA (FREEFALL REMIX) (STRESS RECORDS)
ROUTE 66 - REVOLUTION (ANTHONY PAPPA & JIMMY GOMEZ REMIX) (STRESS RECORDS)
DJ RECIPES - TOOLS FOR DJ'S CREATED BY ANTHONY PAPPA & JIMMY GOMEZ) (STRESS RECORDS)
ANGEL - GOLD RUSH (FREEFALL REMIX) (GLOW)
PAPPA & GILBEY - ORTYGIA (CHOO CHOO RECORDS)
PAPPA & GILBEY - INTERFERENCE / TWISTED (CHOO CHOO RECORDS)
PAPPA & GILBEY - TWISTED (THE REMIXES) (INVERSUS)
PAPPA & GILBEY - VOID / VALIDATE (TWILO RECORDS)
PAPPA & GILBEY - VOID (YOUNG AMERICAN PRIMITIVE REMIX) (TWILO RECORDS)
PAPPA & GILBEY - VALIDATE (BLACKWATCH REMIX) (REGRESS)
PAPPA & GILBEY - SKIN DEEP (CHOO CHOO RECORDS)
PAPPA & GILBEY - THE RHYTHM (WOMB RECORDINGS)
RR WORKSHOP - MESS WITH DA BULL (PAPPA & GILBEY REMIX) (AVANTGARDE)
AQUILLIA - EARTHBOUND (PAPPA & GILBEY REMIX) (INVERSUS RECORDS)
DJ REMY - BUTTERFLY (PAPPA & GILBEY REMIX) (ADDIITIVE)
MOREL - FUNNY CAR (PAPPA & GILBEY REMIX) (YOSHITOSHI)
GYPSY - I TRANCE YOU (PAPPA & GILBEY REMIX) (LIMBO RECORDS)
3 MONKEYS - CRAZY PEOPLE (ORIGINAL MIX & QUIVVER REMIX) (BLISS)
CHICANE - OFFSHORE (ANTHONY PAPPA BOOTLEG MIX) (EXTRAVAGANZA)
ANTHONY PAPPA & KING UNIQUE - VAMOOSH (BEDROCK)
ANTHONY PAPPA - OUTBACK (RED LIGHT DISTRICT)
ANTHONY PAPPA - OUTBACK (POLEFOLDER REMIX) (PROGREZO RECORDS)
FEDERICO EPIS - MARE (ANTHONY PAPPA REMIX) (RED LIGHT DISTRICT)
ANTHONY PAPPA - MIND BODY SOUL (MONIQUE MUSIQUE)
ANTHONY PAPPA - NEW BAG (1605)
ANTHONY PAPPA & QUIVVER - SOFASTAR DJ'S (SILENCE THROUGH MUSIC)
ANTHONY PAPPA, PHIL K & DANNY BONNICI - BLENDING WITH THE ETHER (AUDIO THERAPY)
FABRICATION - HOT FOOT (ANTHONY PAPPA & JAMIE STEVENS REMIX) (RECOVERY COLLECTIVE)
STELIOUS VASSILOUDIS - GONE TO HEAVEN (ANTHONY PAPPA & JAMIE STEVENS CELEBRATE THE LIFE OF PHIL K REMIX) (SELADOR)
ANTHONY PAPPA & JAMIE STEVENS - HERE WE GO / WHERE WE'VE GONE (SELADOR)
ANTHONY PAPPA & JAMIE STEVENS - HOLD YOU BACK / LIKE A SATELLITE (SELADOR)
JOSH RICHARDS - TRANQUIL (ANTHONY PAPPA & JAMIE STEVENS REMIX) (FLOW MUSIC)
KTU - FEELS SO GOOD (ANTHONY PAPPA & JAMIE STEVENS REMIX) (POGONA)
ANTHONY PAPPA X JAMIE STEVENS X ALICE ROSE - NOTHING TO HIDE (SELADOR)
SOULFINDER - FRANKIE (ANTHONY PAPPA & JAMIE STEVENS REMIX) (JOURNEY DEEP)
RUBEN KARAPETYAN & MANGO - GOLDEN AGE (ANTHONY PAPPA & JAMIE STEVENS REMIX) (MANGO ALLEY)
TJIG - AMORE (ANTHONY PAPPA & JAMIE STEVENS REMIX) (UGENIUS MUSIC)
DABEAT & KAMILO SANCLEMENTE - FUTURA (ANTHONY PAPPA & JAMIE STEVENS REMIX) (RE:SOUND MUSIC)
ANTHONY PAPPA & JAMIE STEVENS - GALAXIES (UNSIGNED)



