## Mp3 Akanni - Soul City Magic



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Neo-Soul-HipHop-Fusion with deep liquid melodics played on top of head-boppin' street-edge beats for the ultimate extreme ghetto orchestration. 13 MP3 Songs URBAN/R&B: Neo-Soul, HIP-HOP/RAP: Underground Rap Details: Akanni is a multitalented artist, born and raised in the Bronx, who has his roots in Oldschool-HipHop. He grew up in a big artistic family and has always explored his many talents like Singing, Rapping, MCing and Hosting, Keyboard, Bass, Guitar, Drums, DJing, Producing, Composing, Breaking, Poplocking, Choreography, Dance Teaching or Painting Akannis music is a Neo-Soul-HipHop-Fusion with deep liquid melodics played on top of head-boppin' street-edge beats for the ultimate extreme ghetto orchestration. In 1996, Akanni and DJ Dr.Chris founded the band Star Eye, which is still going strong to this day. Currently, Akanni is also the host of the biggest Soul and Hip Hop live event project in Berlin called liveDEMO. In 2005, he and Heli from Star Eye opened their first location in Berlin called Sonix, the home of the show Soul City Magic. WHAT DOES SOUL CITY MAGIC MEAN? Soul represents the inner spiritual feeling and our own influences. The city represents the part of New York that gave me my influence, which is the Bronx. The magic represents our own artistic creations and contribution, and the things that inner city people do that make us unique. The Bronx has always proven to be the biggest birthplace for the New York urban arts. But even with the countless lack of resources to learn art technically, that never stops the boogie-down Bronx people from being creative - because it is within our nature and tradition to turn nothing into something and create new art forms, and give them new meaning and their own techniques, like scratching and mixing on two turn tables, looping drum patterns on samplers, and playing buckets with sticks instead of drums, and the human beat box, and many more. Each person that created something new from the soul gave the hood their own personal magic. That's why I call the Bronx Soul City. My magic has always been the multi-talent fusion of the

Bronx and Broadway arts, whereas the hip hop DJ and MC and the poplocker, the soul singer and the band, the hip hop and soul producer, the street and theater stage designer is all one person. And now with 4 years of preparation and training, I am finally able to physically and visually display every art in the form of a mind blowing live show called Soul City Magic. And my latest Bronx art is a drum computer that should be programmed and played by hand - I play it live with my feet, giving it the new name the A Drums, combined with playing the keys and singing or rapping all at the same time, in a way that has never been done before. HISTORY - DANCE GROUPS USA (1976-1996): M&M, RPT Crew, 3D-Crew, Tron Brothers, L Brothers Crew, The Floor Lords, Live Action Squad, Full Circle, GhettOriginal. Akanni has toured to many countries like Israel, Brazil, Mexico, Canada, Norway and Japan and has performed in every major coliseum in America with Ringling Brothers Circus. HISTORY - THEATER: Gorgeous Mosaic, Jam On The Groove, Funkalicious Multi-Arts, Clap Ya Hands, and Akanni's current show, Soul City Magic. HISTORY - MUSIC GROUPS USA (1975-1995): D-Street, Dynamite 2, Almighty Force, The New Black Tarzzanz. Akanni has also toured or shared the stage with international artist like Xzibit, Ras Kaz, LL Cool J, Slave, Ayo, CL Smooth, Dwele, Jaguar Wright, Kurtis Blow, Les Nubians, Omar, Patrice, Guru of GangStarr, SugarHill Gang, Kevin Michael, Little Brother, Bahamadia, Robin Thicke, Ms. Dynamite, Souls of Mischief or Zion I, and European artist like Seeed, Freundeskreis Afrob, Deborah, Mr. Gentleman, Joy Denalane, Star Eye, MellowBag, Brothers Keepers, Curse or Walkin Large. RELEASES: Weight of the World Maxi (Masters on Broadway, 2003) The Session on the 1973 Recon Album of DJ Hype feat. Akanni, Virtuoso and Freestyle Produce my Track Maxi (Flavamatic, 2003) Soulmelodics Album (Flavamatic, 2002) Fire in the Sky on the first Brothers Keepers Album LightKultur Hey You/Cheap Thrill Single (Flavamatic, 2001) Clap Your Hands on the Compilation of the Dec. 2001 issue of The Soul (2001) Soulkitchen on the OsterSinnJam Compilation by DJ Double D (2000) Mellowbag-Hitsingle The Life (2000) Stay Real on the Splash!-Compilation with the X-Patriots with Skou and Razul (Square One) X-P's feat. Akanni and Razul on Skous Album Diaspora (2000) Mellowbag-Hitsingle Props (1999) Mellowbag-Hitalbum Bipolar Opposites (1999) Streetsnakes on the Flavamatic Beatz and Rhymez Compilation (1999) Solotrack Young Blood (Bipolar Opposites) for the movie KANAKATTACK (1999) The Jam featuring Akanni and KC Da Rookee on the Walkin Large Album Self (1998) People who are interested in De La Soul Talib Kweli John Legend should consider this download.

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