Angeles Records is a new label formed by joining the forces of multi-platinum rap producer DJ Muggs with critically acclaimed hip-hop duo Self-Scientific. Angeles is the latest addition to Fontana Distribution, the independent distribution division of Universal Music Group (UMG), the world's leading music company. Initial releases will include DJ Muggs vs. GZA, a unique collaboration between Muggs and Wu Tang Clan's GZA. The second release, Change, is the much-anticipated follow-up LP by one of LA's most talented, but underexposed groups, Self-Scientific. Both albums are due out in October.

"The industry has changed profoundly over the past decade," explains Chace, the MC of Self-Scientific, about why they decided to ink a label deal of their own. "The majors aren't interested in, or prepared to, deal with developing acts anymore."

"That's where we come in," explains Muggs, and adds that while most indie hip-hop labels today are putting out very left of center music, Angeles is about "true, pure, quality hip-hop."

"Muggs and Self-Scientific are true entrepreneurs in every sense of the word," notes Steve Pritchitt, General Manager of Fontana, "we are thrilled that they have chosen to be part of the Fontana family."

Most known for his seminal work as the DJ and producer behind the legendary rap group Cypress Hill, Muggs has worked alongside rap heavyweights from Dr Dre, Wyclef, Mob Deep, GZA, and RZA , to name a few. Indeed with such an extensive credo, Muggs is a heavyweight himself. Also part of the group the Soul Assassins, Muggs today has his own radio show on Sirius Satellite on Shade 45 called "Mash-Up Radio" and tours with multi-platinum groups like Blink 182. Most recently, Muggs scored one scene in the new Ice Cube movie "XXX."

Self-Scientific, composed of Chace Infinite and producer DJ Khalil, burst on the scene with their much lauded LP, The Self Science. Since then, Khalil, long heralded as one of LA best up and coming producers, has kept busy working with Dr. Dre and Aftermath Records on a production deal. MC Chace can be heard on Sway and Tech's latest album Back to Basics and Talib Kweli's Beautiful Mixtape vol. 1. The duo released a compilation earlier this year called Gods and Gangstas.