

Hip-Hop Rap MC Cesar Comanche Drops New Album 920

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Hip-Hop / Rap MC Cesar Comanche is one of the founding members of the lauded North Carolina hip-hop collective better known as the Justus League. The Justus League is also home to critically acclaimed act Little Brother who helped put the crew on the map with the success of their debut album *The Listening* (ABB Records) in 2002.

Originally from Jacksonville, NC, Cesar began writing rhymes in 1994, but didn't pursue rhyming as a career until 1996. In that same year, he met budding hip-hop producer 9th Wonder and began collaborating in the studio as well as doing shows in and around North Carolina. It wasn't long before his sound and style got around.

After a few years of working and perfecting his craft, Comanche along with 9th Wonder, organized their fellow friends and rap artists in the Triangle's hip-hop scene and started the Justus League Crew in 1999. Since then, he has performed with such acts as Tha Liks, The Coup, Hieroglyphics, ZMan, Dilated Peoples, Living Legends, Faust & Shortee, and Wordsworth to name a few.

During time off from his extensive touring schedule, Comanche recorded his third album *Squirrel and the Aces*, a collaborative effort in the vein of Pete Rock's *Soul Survivor* series. The album features a string of guest appearances including Tajai from the Souls of Mischief, Phonte and Big Pooh of Little Brother, and several Justus League members as well as production by 9th Wonder (Little Brother, Jay-Z, Destiny's Child), Nicolay (Foreign Exchange), Khrysis (Justus League) and more. When asked what inspired the *Squirrel and the Aces*, Comanche said, "The album title comes from my father's band he had in the early seventies; my mother was also a singer in that group. This album is dedicated to my parents group and also is a celebration of the musician/entertainer." *Squirrel and the Aces* debuts September 20th 2005.

In addition to touring the US and Canada, and performing with Little Brother and the rest of the Justus League, Comanche has appeared on television shows such as *Hip-Hop Nation* (NBC), *Distortion 2 Static* (WB Network), and Little Brother's "You Hear It First" segment on MTV2. He has also been featured in several videos, most notably, Little Brother's "Speed" and his own "Lamb to Lion" video which won a "Most Creative Atmosphere" award from the University of Chapel Hill. In addition, he has received rave reviews in *The Source*, *XXL*, *Then Independent Weekly*, to name a few.

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Cesar has also released two solo albums on his own Defenders of the Free World imprint (2000's Wooden Nickels and 2002's Paper Gods), and has appeared on Little Brother's The Listening, the Justus League's NC State of Mind Vol. 1 mixtape, the Hub City Revival Compilation, and the Hall of Justus" Singles Files mixtape as well as dozens of singles.

Like his Justus League counterpart Little Brother, Comanche looks to diversify the face of Southern rap with witty, thought-provoking lyricism and soulful production while sharing some of his very human experiences as an entertainer. In a time where artist have become carbon copies of each other, Comanche offers a fresh look at a forgotten art form.

Squirrel and the Aces debuts September 20th 2005, be sure to give it a listen.

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