



Biography

U-cee (Ussama Soleman), born 1983 in Regensburg Germany, began his music career at the age of 12. By the age of 15 with his exceptional talent and very distinctive, warm and soulful voice, he had already been contracted to Virgin Records with the soul funk unit “UST”.

In 2000 U-cee transferred to the Nuremberg hiphop combo “Rundfunk 2” with whom he released the album “Ruhestörung”. His increasingly powerful stage presence attracted the attention of the drum`n bass formation “Bassline Paranoia” who shortly after took him on as a permanent crew member. At the same time U-cee founded a company, IPF-Entertainment (bookings, concert, label and event agency), which organizes reggae and hiphop events in the Regensburg area and which took over the bookings for several acts. He has appeared in many live shows with the Regensburg hiphop soul band Flowkiste, with whom he has been a permanent member of the line-up since 2001 and he also supported Team Eimsbusch in 2002. In 2003 he released the album “Image” with Flowkiste and toured with the band in Germany and Austria.

In 2003 his love of reggae and dancehall led him to join forces with “Mortal Kombat Sound” and he has since toured with them as MC at dances in Germany, Austria and the Czech Republic. In 2004 U-cee met and then joined the established reggae band "King Banana" as lead singer, with whom he has sung in over 100 live shows. Since 2005 he also been on the road with DJ Rufflow (Royal Family member) as King Banana-Soundsystem (2009 renamed Royal Family Soundsystem) and has played over 50 gigs in Germany and internationally.

The recording of the Royal Family Album in 2006 (produced by David Meyer/Silly Walks Movement from Hamburg) was headed by U-cee as new lead singer and ushered in a new era in the band’s story. Given that tradition, vibes, loyalty and friendship are right at the top of the band and singer U-cee’s agenda, the only logical conclusion was to re-launch under the name:

U-cee & The Royal Family

U-cee’s work with Regensburg’s Moodorama in 2007 culminated in the world-wide release of the “Mindtraffic” single taken from the album “My Name Is Madness”.

The singer currently lives in Prague/CZ, is working with The Royal Family on new material for the 2009 album and will be going on a festival tour with Strangejah Cole (JAM) & The Royal Family in the summer.

Discography:

Funk Soul Crew – “UST” single release 1998

Rundfunk 2 – “Ruhestörung” album release 2000

Flowkiste – album “Image” 2003

King Banana – “Royal Family” album VÖ Nov. 2006

Collaboration with Sillywalks Movement on the King Banana Album “Royal Family”

Collaboration with Boozo Bajou

Moodorama: “Mindtraffic” single release 2007

Soulid Kollektive – sampler release 2007

Bassline Paranoia – Mind Control 2008

Flowkiste: “Die Geschichte” album release 2008 by Mfcp.com Records (Music for Collapsing People)

Picker Riddim - Long Time singe release 2008 by Big Belly Records

<http://www.myspace.com/ucesolo>

<http://www.the-royal-family.de>

<http://www.ipf-entertainment.com>