

» Malik

BAND STORY

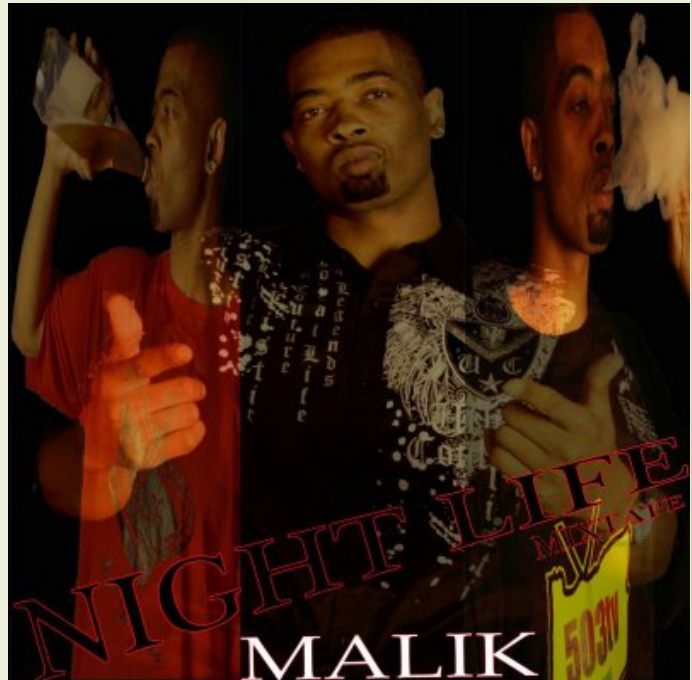
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Malik Edwards has an entrepreneurial and positive energy that gives him the capital for the foundation of what the hip hop industry is built on. His power comes from a soul expressed in his music, alongside his understanding of the industry. His music is a verbal reminder as well as a promise of the importance he places upon the consistent betterment of self. He creates music that is motivational, inspiring, and unique for the current generation of today's demographic.

Malik was born in Portland, Oregon during his youth in low income neighborhoods, experiencing firsthand the devastation caused by crime. At the age of fourteen he relocated to Sacramento, California. After the move he was able to take advantage of opportunities that could be bestowed upon him with a clear mind and dedication. He realized that success was within the grasp of whoever chose to reach for it. Malik decided then that the hood history was not for him, and that he wanted a future with a more progressive outcome. He began to commit himself to a more positive cause and thought of more ways to reach his aspirations. He graduated from Grant Union High School in Sacramento with a basketball scholarship and attended Sonoma State University, transferring to Yuba State College, Cascadia Community College and finishing at Portland State University with a General Studies degree.

In 2003 he returned to Portland and became the Chief Executive Officer and creator of his record label Sak Genius Entertainment. He built a studio, began to produce beats, write songs and record in the luxury of his own home. In the summer of 2004 he recorded *Blazin' Summer Mixtape Volume 1* in collaboration with the Hood Fellaz. They performed at various Portland venues including The Ohm, Club Platinum, and Williamette University.


Malik Edwards began his new solo album *Self Improvement* in 2008 and it was released in summer of 2009. The sixteen track album contains production from five artists from Sound Click and vocals by Mia Lewis. Malik plans to use the release of *Self Improvement* to catapult his career into the forefront of the hip hop industry and create a forward momentum for his career. He performed at the Ash St. Saloon and



STATS

VISITS	PLAYS
1,294	15
STREAMS	DOWNLOADS
3	12

FEATURED SONGS

1		STAY WIT ME feat. Mia Lewis	Indie
2		Tell Me Somethin	Bluegrass

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the career. He performed at the 7th of October and Juneteenth in the beginning of summer to promote the album, and is scheduling more performances in the near future.

Malik has drawn his strength from the negative circumstances he experienced as a child and has made it his personal conviction to translate them into something worthwhile that will serve as a positive influence universally. His aspirations are limitless, starting with the ambition to become a self-made millionaire within the next five years. He wants to spread affirmative thoughts worldwide through his travel, music, and all around expression. In the future he plans to become more involved with business and sees himself owning record stores, innovative online stores, clothing lines for men and women jewelry shops and restaurants. With an ambition matched only by his talent and diversity in his skills, Sak Genius Entertainment and Malik Edwards are only just beginning, and from here the road can only travel towards inevitable success.

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