



SUMO/BANGANA

Combo & Alf Tumble, aka Sumo or Bangana, have been producing together since 1999. Over the years their work have resulted in almost 30 releases and just as many remixes. The Sumo-sound has developed from jazzy, deep house, via Afro-Latin, to their present sound of eclectic, dirty disco. Their second alias, Bangana, has always been an output for their late-night house ambitions, and the productions are more tracks than songs.

The buzz around their own music has opened up opportunities for several side projects such as live performances, remixes, writing and producing for other artists, creating music for fashion shows etc. In addition to that they travel the world as djs and co-run their two year old music & food label Heya Hifi. As you might guess, the common denominator that keeps it all together, is a pure, big passion for spreading quality music.

/Heya Hifi, March 2007

HISTOGRAPHY

1999. Combo and Alf meet during a recording session. Sharing the same view on dance music they decide to start working together. Their first production is a remix of Taxi's "Living on the wire" on the German label Infracom. It's released under the moniker Tumble & Combo.

2000. The guys split up; Combo moves to New York and Alf heads for London. Seven months later, back in Stockholm they decide to pick up where they left things. The result is signed to the NYC-label Trackmode. The name of the record is "S.U.M.O. EP1" and from that moment Sumo is official.

2001. Sumo team up with Los Angeles based label Seasons. This is the beginning of a long relationship which will result in numerous EP's and the album "S.U.M.O. Workout". Sumo move to their first own studio which they call HEYA (Japanese for the house where sumos live, eat and practice).

2002. Inspired by Alf's success as a dj, Combo joins the game himself. Sumo get their first big hit, "Wintersong", feat. Karime Kendra, released on the French label Africanism/Yellow. During the spring of 2002 the guys put together a live act called SUMO SESSIONS. With Alf on the decks, Combo on the saxophone, their favourite percussionist Thomas Eby (who you can hear on many of their productions) and the multi talented Rasmus Faber on keys they tour all over Scandinavia.

2003. Sumo go on a two weeks long dj-tour in the States. This years edition of SUMO SESSIONS features the Ugandan singer and bassplayer Sammy Kasule. The latin explosion "Samba Consumo" feat. Simone Moreno reaches the number 1 spot in DJ Magazine's Hype Chart. Sumo receive two awards at the Scandinavian Music Conference, one for best act/artist and one for best 12" (Wintersong).

2004. Sumo go on their second dj-tour in the States ending up at WMC in Miami, where one of the hottest tunes is Sumo's own "Supra Sumo". It reaches nr 1 at DJ-Mags Hype Chart later in the spring. They also take their live project to London (UK) and give a performance at the Trans Europe Express Festival. In time for the fall the boys shut the door to Heya Studios and start working on a remix album.

2005. Combo & Alf put a lot of effort in the launch of their label Heya Hifi. The first release is a collection of Sumo's most wanted remixes, called "Rebounces", and is released together with two vinyl samplers. Strengthened by the succes they start working on the album "The Danceband" during the fall. Just before Christmas, burglars break into HEYA and steal, among other things, a computer holding material to "The Danceband". The day before Christmas Sumo start working on their album for the second time.

2006. Early in the spring, Sumo get their third Hype Chart winner with the single "Nini" feat. Clarisse Muvemba. It gets heavy airplay and ends up on various compilations. In May their album finally sees the light of the day. The critics love it, and it is later rewarded with a Swedish Grammy nomination, as well as a Swedish National Radio Award nomination. The last single from the album, "Lovebeat" feat. Clarisse Muvemba, gets nominated to Gilles Peterson's World Wide Awards. During this year Sumo start producing at night. The outcome from these sessions goes under the name BANGANA - a bit darker, more tracky and late night oriented. As a great finish of 2007 Sumo go on their first Asia Tour.



CLUBS VISITED

Europe

Cargo, AKA, Soulmates, Notting Hill Arts Club, Plan B, Market Place, (UK), Go Deep (Ireland)
Garito Café, City Hall, Weekend, Marula, Otto Zutz, Carpe Diem, Café de Palma (Spain)
Rootdown, Soulheaven, Studio (Germany) 4Cento, Corso Como, Brancaloneone (Italy)
Plastilin, Hermitage, (Russia) Privé, Club Moskva, Club Tallinn (Estonia) Gravity (Lithuania)
Berns, Fusion, Go Bang, Le Garage, Soulmates, Ra, Hultsfred, Social Sound (Sweden)
Vega (Denmark) Mother, 404, Club Helsinki, Kerma (Helsinki)
Cool Monday (Switzerland) Mesa Verde, (Luxembourg)

Asia

Yellow (Japan), Bed Supperclub (Thailand) Kee Club, Monsoon (China)

America

Cielo, APT, Table 50, Onyx 101, Dish, Dynamite Bar, Blue, Amica, Bash (US)

Others

Carfax, Black Sheep (South Africa)

DISCOGRAPHY

Original Productions

- Tumble & Combo - S.U.M.O. Ep 1 - Trackmode 2000
- Sumo - Down With The Sumos Part 1 - Seasons 2001
- Sumo - Down With The Sumos Part 2 - Seasons 2001
- Sumo - The Sumo Workout 2xEp - Seasons 2002
- Sumo - Hangin' With The Sumos (Album Sampler/Mix-CD) - Seasons 2002
- Sumo - Wintersong - Africanism/Yellow 2002
- Sumo - Don't You Love Me - Seasons 2003
- Sumo - Samba Consumo - Flamingo Discos 2003
- Sumo - Ntujjo - Bitches Brew 2003
- Sumo - Stay - Sfera 2004
- Sumo - We/You/I - Seasons 2004
- Sumo - Supra Sumo - Soulfuric 2004
- Sumo - Sedução - Bubble Soul 2004
- Sumo - Santiago Boys (Remixes) - Seasons 2004
- Sumo - Seseland - Flamingo Discos 2004
- Sumo - Rebounces (Full Length Remix Album, CD) - Heya Hifi 2005
- Bangana - Heya Rumba - C2 - 2005
- Sumo Feat. Rigas - Tribute/Factory - Heya Hifi 2005
- Bangana - Refresh/Bang Bang Bang - Heya Hifi 2006
- Sumo Feat. Clarisse Muvemba - Nini - Heya Hifi 2006
- Sumo Feat. Aaron Phiri - The Danceband/Unlove me - Heya Hifi 2006
- Sumo - The Danceband (Album) - Heya Hifi 2006
- Bangana - Skrik - Heya Hifi 2006
- Sumo Feat. Clarisse Muvemba - Lovebeat - Heya Hifi 2006
- Bangana - Fantasma/Deeper, Love - Heya Hifi 2007
- Sumo Feat. Ayesha - That's Erotic/Gravity - Heya Hifi 2007

Remixes

- Taxi - Living On The Wire - Infracom 1999
- Brett Johnson - Where Are You Going - Seasons 2003
- Robert Owens - I'll Love You - Flamingo Discos 2003
- Ive Mendes - Natural High - Mr Bongo 2003
- Rasmus Faber - Ever After - Farplane 2003
- Meitz - Zwakalani - Infracom 2003
- Bana Kuba - Bare Brass - Stealth 2004
- Lonesome Echo Production Feat. Mutabaruka - Spirit Of Drums - Disorient 2004
- Dave Storm - Got To Be With You - Ceremony 2004
- Trüby Trio Feat. Wunmi - Make A Move - Compost 2004
- Dalminjo - Despacito (Te Doy Me Corazón) - Deeplay Music 2004
- Blaze - My Beat - Heya Hifi 2005
- Jazztronik - Froro - Pantone Music - 2005
- Mindreaders - Living My Life Underground - Heya Hifi 2005
- Raw Artistic Soul - What About Love - GoGo 2005
- Mojo Project - Free - Lovemonk 2005
- Freak do Brazil - Meu Golador - Paprika Records 2006
- Makai - Sunrise - Studio Apartment 2006
- Simone Moreno - Samba Makossa - Souldog Records - 2006
- Martin Buscaglia - Cerebro, Orgasmo, Envidia & Sofia - Lovemonk 2006
- Elektrons - Dirty Basement - Genuine - 2007
- Juvelen - They Don't Love You - Hybris - 2007

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