

Messenger Douglas

bio



Messenger Douglas is an acclaimed roots singer and producer who has toured the world with Overproof Soundsystem, from Germany to New Zealand. His most recent singles are played by sound systems world wide, and have established him as a solid reference for UK Roots music.

Producer, vocalist and songwriter Messenger Douglas has been working on his now expansive repertoire of roots reggae since the mid eighties. Throughout this time he has also experimented with 'leftfield reggae' and various dub sounds, collaborating with other producers and outfits including Friendly fire, Overproof Soundsystem, G CORP, and Dub Specimen (UB40).

Messenger Douglas tracks have been released in the UK, Jamaica and throughout Europe, where they have gained good fanbases.

Messenger Douglas also provides vocals for Overproof Soundsystem, and has also released numerous tracks, albums and dubplates with this band, as well as consistently touring with them since 2003. As a member of Overproof, he has performed alongside Fat Freddy's Drop and toured NZ, Australia and South East Asia, and Europe. This has led to extensive radio play in numerous countries.

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Discography



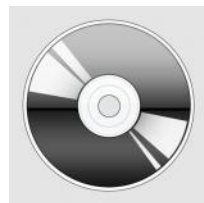
Dub Specimen
2007



**Dub Plates From
The Elephant
House Volume
Three**
2008



Earth Cries
2008



**Alphamix Live in
Birmingham**
2010

Songs

<i>Rush (live version)</i>	06:56
<i>Share Dub</i>	04:20
<i>Competition (live version)</i>	08:38
<i>Perilous Time</i>	05:11
<i>Rush</i>	04:17
<i>Staff</i>	03:42



Alphamix Debut at The Hare and Hounds

<http://www.basslion.dreamhosters.com/?p=33>

Messenger Douglas has been an established UK roots reference since the late 80s when he began as Roland Xerox. After an encounter in Jamaica, it was Luciano who insisted he change it to 'Messenger', and get rid of the copier connotations. Since then he has gone on to become a regular part of Overproof Sound System (on Birmingham's G Corp label) and collaborated with Friendly Fire Music, but his solo work, under his own label Alphamix, has continued throughout and his recent gig at The Hare and Hounds was a chance to showcase this live and direct for the first time.

Messenger Douglas as per usual, gave a sincere and energetic performance, hardly taking a break from the mic for more than 30 seconds in the entire set, whilst all the time delivering spotless vocals and leading the band with gusto and precision.

...a musical journey of live dub, roots, steppers and rockers with a tinge of soul and R 'n' B in places...It felt professional, seamless.

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Band Name	Messenger Douglas and The Alphamix Dub Band
Band Members	Messenger Douglas (Vocals, guitar) Leon Smalls (Drums) Reid (Bass) Mark 'Mighty Magoo' Robertson (Percussion and BVs) Robin Giorno (Guitar) Israel Costa (Keys)
Date Formed	Messenger Douglas has been performing and recording since the late eighties. The Alphamix Dub Band was started in 2010.
Genres	dub, reggae, roots, rub a dub
Booking	R. Douglas - rolandcd@hotmail.com
Manager	R. Douglas - rolandcd@hotmail.com
Record Label	Alphamix
