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*01. Ngiphelele 02. Vuma Baby 03. Love and Respect (feat. ProVerb & Mbali Siluma) 04. Ngiyakutsandza 05. Njengawe 06. Ngamthand'umuntu 07. Mtjele 08. Ulavi 09. Yekelani 10. TKO (feat. Ayo Solanke)*

South Africa and the world music scene should prepare themselves for a new exciting classy African jazz outfit. Produced and composed by the talented Wandile Moya, Afrotraction is the epitome of African soul and jazz and features the legendary McCoy Mrubata on saxophone and the beautiful Siyavuya Makuzeni on additional vocals. Afrotraction's first album, "Soul Deep" was released in 2008 and was received very successfully, now the second Afrotraction release, lead by the uber talented Wandile Moya, is awaited with much anticipation.

Nothing could have prepared record company executive, Chris Ghelakis, for the music demo that landed on his desk in late 2007. A demo CD from a little known young talent from Nelspruit in South Africa's Mpumalanga province started a journey of musical awe. Mzwandile Moya, whose humble beginnings started in this small town, is a singer, songwriter, bassist, guitarist, pianist, backing vocalist and programmer – all without any formal training whatsoever. This is undoubtedly raw talent as never seen before.

Known as Wandile to his friends and family, Moya made the journey to Johannesburg after receiving a call from Ghelakis. Stunned, and thinking that this talent was too good to be true, Ghelakis needed validation that this young man was in fact the talent on the demo. After a brief showcasing at CSR Studios, Ghelakis, blown away to say the least, not only offered Wandile a recording contract, but also a job working as a producer in his studios.

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Despite Wandile's gospel background, this album is loungy music that exudes style and exhibits chilled moods and classy cool. Influences from South America and French speaking Africa are evident in this ethnic musical fusion. Afrotraction's second album will be a must-have album for any fan of refined elegance with prominent splashes of our Africa!

Afrotraction's first album, "Soul Deep" produced 5 singles, and comprehensively received excellent support on various radio stations. The singles were: Ngimtholile, Sweetie Nguwe, Ungathambi, Kutsanzana Nawe and Things That Lovers Do.

Kaya FM had extensive airplay for the above singles, some tracks like Ngimtholile, was on the Kaya FM chart for over 20 weeks! Capricorn FM, Umhlobo Wenene, Durban Youth Radio, Ligwalagwala, Radio 2000 and Tru FM also supported the album extremely well. Ukhozi FM, Phalaphala FM, MetroFM and OFM also play-listed the singles on the album. ---  
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