

Stino Le Thwenny

Biography



- Stino le Thwenny are a musical duo hailing from Bloemfontein. Having solidified their names in the mainstream through their collaborative hit single, Buyile, by khuli Chana ft Lady Du & Tyler ICU. The duo describes their sound as rooted, spiritual and believable. Despite having made a name for themselves through hip hop, the musicians are not afraid to venture and fuse genres.
- Consisting of Katlego “Castino the Hero” (27) Semaye and Kanelo “Thwenny” Motaung (28). Each fell in love with and started creating music when they were 15 years old respectively, back in 2010. It would be a chance meeting in 2014, which would be the beginning of Stino Le Thwenny.

- When Thwenny first heard Castino in 2014, he described having heard a rapper that made him believe that he could compete with the best of them. His initial ask to Castino was for them to work on a single together. Thwenny recorded *Back Into It*, featuring Castino in 2014. However, it was their second collaboration of *Pour Me*, which prompted calls for them to form a group
- Listening to the demands of their fans, the two would formally introduce themselves as a duo in 2016 when they released their first mixtape, *Stino le Thwenny Ba Kae*. The mixtape provided the duo with a body of work to introduce themselves to their fans. But it would be their 2018 EP, *What You Say?* For the two to begin setting their eyes on national acclaim.

- In the two years between the two mixtapes, Stino Le Thwenny had asserted themselves as a formidable duo within the Free State. However, they had not achieved national success. Therefore, it was at 2018's *Pop Bottles* which the two had what they deem as their “tryouts” for nationals. They met vigilante A& R at Universal Music South Africa. The hip hop duo have been fortunate enough to perform alongside some of the biggest names in South African hip hop and headlining on some of the biggest stages with big acts such Cassper Nyovest , AKA , Nasty C , Black Motion , Okmalumekoolkat, Boity ,Burna Boy , Emtee , Kabza Da Small , Maphorisa , Black Coffee , Kwesta , K.O , Black Diamond, Nadia Nakai , PH , Dimples , Mahoota and Vetkuk ,Sjava and many more national acts in the country. The hip hop duo opened for almost every hip hop act that has toured the Free State Province over the years.

- Moreover, while What You Say might have spawned hits songs *Ba Stout* and *My Love*. It was their 2020 released single *Mshimane* which would change the trajectory of their career. Stino le Thwenny released *Mshimane 2.0* in 2021, which featured K.O, Major League DJz and Khuli Chana. The collaborators marked formal co-signs of the new-kids-on-the-block. But it was Khuli Chana's co-sign through the release of the 2021 hit single, *Buyile*, which cemented their names. The Stino Le Thwenny went on to release their second single in 2021 called *Tsele* featuring another big giant in the industry Kwesta.
- The collaboration was a dream come true for the duo, who did not believe the Motswako originator when he first said that they needed to deliver him a hit following his free verse on *Mshimane 2.0*. But when he called the duo having booked out an AirBnB in Bloemfontein, the reality of working with the legend and pioneer set. Since the release of *Buyile*, Stino le Thwenny have cemented their names as mainstream artists with the potential of global success.

- The duo won the South African Hip Hop Award in 2021 for the best remix and got nominated also in 2022 at the South African Music Awards alongside khuli Chana, Lady Du and Tyler for Music Video of the Year. The hip hop duo have been verified on all their social media platforms.
- Their aim is to firstly, highlight the talent pool of the Free State Province. Moreover, their aim is to make music which can travel abroad but anchored in a sound which clearly demarcates their origins. This intent is one that the duo hopes to share with their upcoming studio project.

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