

DeAnté track recorded by Dru Hill member

The track "Joy" from Dutch R&B group DeAnté will make its American debut soon. The song can be found on their debut cd "Global Victory" and was supposed to be the group's fourth single, but plans changed when Jazz from Dru Hill wanted to record it for his solo debut.

DeAnté member Tyrace Esajas, who wrote the song and published it on his own production company Kenyo Music, is content with this development: "RichKidsEntertainment introduced me to the American music business. We already had a few prior experiences with it, but working with Jazz wasn't just a good business experience. Jazz is very true to himself as a person and great to work with. He was very emotional about the lyrics as it fitted so well with his life at that time."

It's not the first time DeAnté has been linked to Dru Hill. The group flew to LA, while working on some tracks for their album, to collaborate with The Co-Stars, Sisqo's production team.

DeAnté:

The group was formed in 1991. The members are IJ, Rogér, Marc and Tyrace. In 1998 things started to happen very quickly after DeAnté had collaborated with Jerry Wolff for a contribution to the CD "Sylvana's Christmas", an R&B flavoured Christmas collection from a Dutch music station. The group was asked to send in a song for the National Song Contest of 1999. The contest that decides who will represent Holland in the Eurovision Song Contest had never seen an R&B act send in an entry. The song "We Don't Live Too Long" got DeAnté a 2nd place position, but it got them fame as well. The single reached the Top 15 and the album "Global Victory" was released a year later.