

BATCHGUEYE

SOULFUL WEST AFRICAN GRIOT MUSIC

”Batch Gueye started out performing as a dancer, commissioned by Senegalese music’s great and good to enhance their live shows and videos. But, away from being gainfully employed by the likes of Youssou N’Dour, Baaba Maal and Cheikh Lo, Batch always harboured aspirations to be a singer, to follow in the footsteps as his immediate forebears.

And, boy, aren’t we lucky that he found his voice. It’s an instrument of great subtlety and warmth, its tones both honeyed and smoky. Batch is accompanied by an exquisitely restrained band – lots of flickering kora and fluid, distinctly West African guitar lines. Often, when seeking out the new, we set our

binoculars for the distant horizon, an approach that can ignore what’s closer to home.

This six-piece, coming all the way from the exotic climes of Bristol, are testament to the gold we can find in our own backyard.” (Cromer and Sheringham Art and Literary Festival, 2015)

BATCH GUEYE BAND

Batch Gueye - Lead singer, guitar

Ben WJ Woodward - Guitar

Dave Wallace - Bass guitar

Jan Jisa - Drum kit

Oumar Sagna - Djembe

Pricilla Andersohn - Vocals

Stefano Vandelli - Kora & n’goni

Batch Gueye Band has played in many prestigious events including WOMAD festival in Malmesbury UK, Glastonbury Festival of Contemporary Performing Arts, Houston Festival in the US, Globalitica Festival in Warsaw, Poland.

YOU CAN BOOK:

- The whole Batch Gueye Band for an energetic full-scale stage performance
- A three-man version of Batch Gueye Band
- Batch for a wonderful acoustic one-man show
- Batch for a workshop in traditional West-African dance or vocal chanting
- Batch’s dance group Sabar Family for a special dance performance with or without African drums

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SHORT BIO

Batch is a West-African Griot, a storyteller through his music and dance. His mother, grandmother, and those before them had been singers.

Batch found his voice through traditional vocal chanting that is practised by the Senegalese Baye Fall Griots. Batch's songs are inspired by life experiences and wisdom, promoting the importance of being good to ourselves and respect those around us. To listen, to trust and to have faith in life.

Batch sings his songs in the Senegalese language Wolof. However, language does not obstruct his music. The passion Batch has can be heard in his soulful voice and understood by all.

Batch's energy as a dancer is as vibrant and colourful as the patchwork clothes of his Baye Fall people. Like his music, his dance style is a collection of both traditional and modern

African cultures, and his combination of strong and fast movement promises to be a striking display!

MILESTONES

2008 Batch won the Senegalese selection for the hit dance show "Afrika!Afrika" bringing him to Europe as professional dancer.

2010 A back injury causes Batch to stop his professional dance career. From this time on he has focused his artistic talents mostly on music.

2012 The song M'Beugel wins the World Music Network's Battle of the Bands competition.

2012 First EP with 4 songs released.

2014 First album Ndiarigne released.

2015 Batch's vocals feature in BBC Natural World Africa's fishing leopards, Music by William Goodchild and narrated by Dave Attenborough.

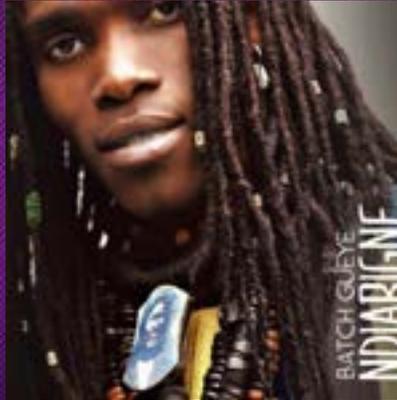
2017 Second album Xamle released.



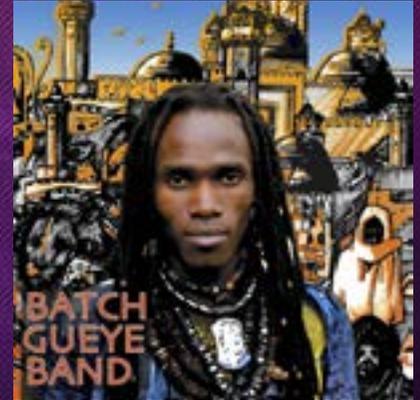
DISCOGRAPHY



1. Poor - 3:49 ([video](#))
2. Salbe - 4:24
3. Coumba - 3:44
4. Bousso - 3:46
5. Fans - 4:20
6. Fall - 4:04
7. Lamb - 4:34
8. Minalma Sa Bopp - 3:56
9. Modou Fatou -4:43
10. Touki - 03:04
11. Fans Club
(bonus track) - 4:34



1. Mam Masamba - 05:02
([video](#))
2. Allaji - 5:02
3. My Love (Rose) - 4:49 ([video](#))
4. Mayou Yalla - 4:17
5. Fallou - 5:51 ([video](#))
6. Nam Mame - 4:44
7. History - 4:42
8. Sikare Bayfall - 4:46
9. DiarIngama - 5:00
10. Dakouway - 4:42
11. Yaye Khadim - 4:45
12. Bamba - 4:19 ([video](#))
13. Yela - 4:44



1. Trust - 7:07 ([Acoustic](#))
2. Allal - 6:06
3. Yayé - 7:45
4. M'Beugel -3:07 ([Acoustic](#))



LIVE PERFORMANCES



Backwell Festival 2018



Tribal Earth 2014



WOMAD 2014

Booking

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