



It's almost baffling to realize the two year anniversary of the critically acclaimed Foreign Exchange "Connected" CD, released in August 2004 on BBE Records, is just around the corner. With its captivating instrumentation, even to this day, the Foreign Exchange album is still reconnecting the listeners' love for hip hop. Since that time, Nicolay's steady output of refreshing music has continued to gain world wide recognition (URB's Top 100 2005, Amazon's Best of 2004, & being chosen for Giles Peterson's 2004 Worldwide Albums of the Year) and praise from critics and fellow artists alike.

Originating from Utrecht, Netherlands, this European producer/DJ has recently found himself replanting his roots in North Carolina. When recently asked about the move and the album, Nicolay said; "well I'm saying goodbye to where I came from and embracing this whole new adventure that I'm getting ready for, and in a lot of ways this is a transitional album." (MVRemix.com)

Nicolay is currently touring in support of the 'Here' release through DJ gigs with in the United States and Canada. The sound selection Nicolay relies heavily on is his own catalog (the Foreign Exchange, Dutch Masters, City Lights, and other remixes and exclusives) and often breaks out into golden era of hip hop, classic R&B, funk, jazz, up, mid and down tempo. Nicolay is known for his high energy, good time, danceable vibe and often brings out affiliated local talent to perform their Nicolay-produced track(s).

### NICOLAY AT A GLANCE

- Producer & one half of the Foreign Exchange
- Beat Society Alumni
- Has produced for Little Brother, Supastition, Roy Ayers, Living Legends and many more
- Appeared on MTV's You Heard It First, Much Music (Canada), NPR, and video on VH1 Soul

### NICOLAY NOTABLES

- First European Artist to grace the pages of Scratch Magazine, 2006
- "Jazz in the Hip Hop Generation" Symposium, Hampton Jazz Festival, June 2006
- Headlining DJ performance at NXNE 2006
- The Dutch Masters Mixtape Vol. 1 broke the top 20 (peaked at #16) Hip Hop Album downloads on iTunes, 2006

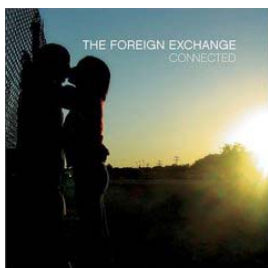
### RECENT PRESS

- Elemental | Issue #80 | August 2006
- The Legend | June / July 2006
- XLR8R | Issue #97 | May 2006
- Scratch Magazine | No.12 | July / August 2006
- MVRemix.com | June 2006
- RE:UP Magazine | Issue 009



### Nicolay – Here (BBE Records)

- Releases **September 5, 2006**
- Features **Black Spade, Darien Brockington, YahZarah, Wiz Khalifa, Kay of the Foundation, Sy Smith**
- Nicolay's debut album as an artist in his own right
- "Playing like a neo-soul 'Chronic'.." Scratch Magazine 2006



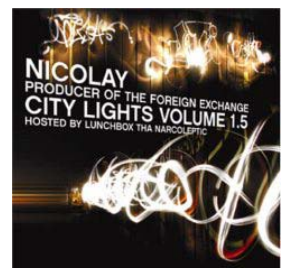
The Foreign Exchange – Connected



The Foreign Exchange – Connected Instrumental



Dutch Masters Mixtape Volume 1



City Lights – Volume 1.5

*"..either Nicolay is a musical genius who simply understands the language of classic R&B better than most stateside producers, or a Stax Records jetliner crashed in the Netherlands .."*

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