

## **Reo Matsumoto (Breath Musician)**

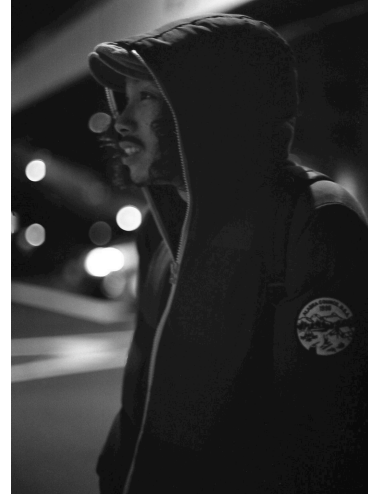
Member of:

Breath Trio

Matsumoto Zoku

Humanism

BagBeats Connective



1988: Born in Tokyo; grew up in Yokohama, Japan.

2005: At 17 years old, Reo encountered “Human Beat Box” live for the first time. At that time, Human Beat Box was totally nameless in JAPAN. Hugely inspired, Reo experienced an intuitive explosion, and set his course to learn the art of Beat Box himself. Reo began to make sounds by himself, using his imagination, and also imitating sounds from many kinds of music and sound effects based on every day life, learning to duplicate the sounds around him through his own mouth. After two months, he performed on stage for the first time. This was the start in his life as a musician.

2006: Reo went to Sugino Dress making college.

2007: Not sure what he really want to do with his life, he eventually chose music over dress making and dropped out of college, devote himself to one art, “Breath Music”. From 2007 to 2009, Reo had over 150 performances on Stage every year, at events such as Festivals, Live House, Club, Exhibition, and many kinds of Facilities. He also gives workshops and regular lessons to kids, students, and adults.

2010: Reo decided to leave Japan to travel the world to study Beat Box technique, learn music and share his own music with people all over the world.

### **◎ Music Awards**

2006: Saturday Night Flavor Beat Box Match at Tokyo [1<sup>st</sup> prize]

2007: Human Beat Box 2007 Final at Osaka [2<sup>nd</sup> prize]

2009: Most Biggest Human Beat Box Battle 2009 at Osaka [2<sup>nd</sup> prize]

2009: UK Human Beat Box Convention, LONDON. Performance at Show Case [by Humanism]

2009: WORLD BEATBOX CHAMPIONSHIP 2009 at Berlin. Performance at Show Case [by Humanism]

2009: Human Beat Box Tournament 2009 at Tokyo [2<sup>nd</sup> prize]

2009: Ultra In Out Beat Box Battle Team Battle in Osaka. Entry by Humanism [2<sup>nd</sup> prize]

2010: Japan Beat Box Championship 2010, Tokyo, Team Battle Contest by Humanism [1<sup>st</sup> prize]

2011: Japan Beat Box Championship 2010, Tokyo, Team Battle Contest by Humanism [2<sup>nd</sup> prize]

2012: WORLD BEAT BOX CHAMPIONSHIP 2012 at Berlin. Performance at Show Case [by Humanism]

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