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INTERVIEW: Darude (ADE 2011)

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For many people, “Sandstorm” continues to be the gateway to electronic dance music. The first time you hear it, you are instantly blown away by the epic energy of the track, which was Darude’s debut release. More than ten years later, Darude continues to tour the world as an in-demand DJ and producer. Last year, he partnered with producer Randy Boyer to create the Enmass production team and record label. With productions and a hot mixed compilation, Darude continues to whip up the storm.

Ron Slomowicz: Welcome to Amsterdam. Is this your first time at the Amsterdam Dance Event?

Darude: No, I have been here about 6 times.

RS: What is your goal this year, what are you trying to accomplish?

Darude: I am pimping myself out.

RS: Pimping yourself and EnMass?

Darude: Yes, absolutely. We have four releases out with EnMass. The fifth one is coming out on the November 15th, so that is what I am pushing now. It is Kristina Skye and Randy Boyer, featuring Shyboy. “Welcome To The Future” is the name of that. On that release there is going to be my remix with Randy Boyer, a Menno de Jong remix, and also the original mix. I am wearing my EnMass shirt, trying to represent. There is going to be a mixed compilation by me on EnMass music as well. There is currently no release date on that, but it may be in the next couple of months. I am resending this to a couple of labels that we may want to work with.

RS: EnMass is you and Randy Boyer together. How did the two of you meet up?

Darude: First off- let me make a correction, the original EnMass was actually just Randy Boyer and late Eric Tadla. They were a totally different thing. Randy and I actually met in 2000 when I played my first gig in the

