

Born in Accra, Ghana on July 21 1986, Emmanuel Kwadwo Oware, known by his stage name as A.I. (Ayisi Ican), is a Ghanaian Afro pop, Hip Hop and R&B artiste. As a kid, his Father played in a band and had a large collection of records by International artistes. This gave A.I the opportunity to listen to different genres of music. Thus, he developed an interest in music and started writing his own songs. In Senior High School, he recorded his first demo with a group of friends. Though the outcome of the song was not perfect, he never gave up on music and continued to record his own songs. He focused on music so much that he frequently skipped classes. This got him suspended from school. Since then, A.I has focused on music full time.

In 2009 he was discovered by executives of an independent record company, “2Ligit Records”. Since his signing to 2Ligit Records he has recorded over 200 songs at 2Ligit’s AfricanZone Studio. He was listed as one of the top 10 most promising artistes in Ghana after he released “Do your thing”, “Mary Jane” and “Tenderness”, three songs off his debut mixtape. “Mixtape Mayhem”, his debut mixtape, was released in December 2013 and has over 800,000 plays.

On the 7th of May 2014, The International Songwriting Competition (ISC), widely recognized as the world's most prestigious and respected songwriting competition announced its 2013 winners. A.I. won first place in the RnB/HipHop category for his song “Anger Management”. This is a wonderful achievement since this is the first time in ISC’s 13-year history that an artist from Ghana has won first place in a category.

He describes his music career with a tone that portrays he was destined to do this.

***"I've always wanted to do music. School is great, don't get me wrong but I'm home here you know. I tried to get back to school and it was great but somehow somehow, I always wake up in the studio and my family hates it but hey, this is who I am"***

***- A.I.***

A.I.'s music is inspired by his life and is influenced by songs by artistes such as 2pac and Youssou Ndour. A.I's style of writing and versatility has made him a very unique artiste in the Ghanaian community.