

## Hip-Hop Legend Busta Rhymes Drops The Big Bang

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Notable hip-hop legend Busta Rhymes will drop his first release on Aftermath June 13<sup>th</sup>. His first album in over 3 years has been long anticipated by the rap artist's fans.

'The Big Bang' hosts an assortment of worthy collaborators. From noteworthy hip-hop producers like Swizz Beatz, will.i.am of the hip-hop group the Black Eyed Peas", and of course super-producer and Aftermath chief, Dr. Dre to heavy weight hip-hop and other genre artists such as Mary J. Blige, Stevie Wonder, (who graces 'Been Through the Storm'); and Rick James, who appeared on the song "In the Ghetto" shortly before his death.

"The Big Bang's" initial offering, the Swizz Beatz produced "Touch It," and its remix, which features Mary J. Blige, Lloyd Banks, DMX, Rah Digga and Papoose, are currently searing airwaves worldwide. ("Touch It (Remix)" has been atop the UK's 1Xtra Official Hip-Hop Chart for 14 consecutive weeks). The second single, the offbeat "I Love My Bitch," which features Kelis and is produced by the Black Eyed Peas" will.i.am, has had similar success in the short time since its release.

Dr. Dre, who signed Busta Rhymes to Aftermath, commented: "All of a sudden I'm hearing people in the streets talking about how Busta's back. In my mind, he never left, and that's why I wanted to f\*ck with him in the first place. He's got that drive, and he never stops trying to top himself. Anybody who knows Busta knows that he's always gonna come with heat."

Dre's influence pervades. He provides the musical backdrop for, among others, "This Is How We Do It Over Here," which features Missy Elliott. "The Big Bang" also boasts guest appearances from Raekwon, Marsha Ambrosius of Floetry, and Q-Tip.

An impressive collection of today's finest producers complement Dr. Dre's efforts, including Timbaland, G-Unit's Sha Money XL, Jelly Roll, Green Lantern, and Jay Dilla as well as the aforementioned Swizz Beatz, and will.i.am.

"The Big Bang" is Busta Rhymes' seventh solo album. It follows the platinum-selling "It Ain't Safe No More." Fans will recall that Dr. Dre and Busta Rhymes first linked up for "Break Ya Neck" the wildly popular single from Busta Rhymes's fifth platinum album, Genesis.

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Busta Rhymes 'The Big Bang,' hit shelves on June 13, 2006 on Interscope Records.