

## Hip-Hop Among Many Hitting eBay for Auction

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It was announced today that Waxploitation, Inc will launch its second online auction to assist victims of the "ethnic cleansing" taking place in the African country of Sudan, a dire situation that the UN has called one of the worst humanitarian crises the world faces right now.

The auction will launch on eBay on July 12th and will include rare and signed items donated by actors, actress', hip-hop, rap and rock artists some of who are Angelina Jolie, hip-hop's OutKast, rap artist Eminem, Radiohead, BAM Margera, Bjork, hip-hop rapper and producer Kanye West, tennis star Serena Williams, Trent Reznor (NIN), Beastie Boys, System of a Down, Shepherd Ferry, rapper Nelly, REM, Phish, Ciara, Atmosphere, (Grateful) Dead, Red Hot Chili Peppers, rap artist David Banner, Chad Muska, Sum41, Sage Francis, Will Oldham, Foo Fighters, Dropkick Murphys, southern hip-hop rappers Nappy Roots, Paulina Rubio, Rob Zombie, They Might Be Giants, John Legend, Prince and Metallica amongst many others. Over 100 items will be auctioned.

In May, a number of major news organizations estimated that up to 400,000 people have been murdered and more than 2 million people have been displaced from their homes by Sudanese government backed militias called the Janjaweed. The genocide is a massive campaign to rid the Dafur region of its African population. It has been a widespread and systematic campaign of rape, murder, looting and displacement of villagers.

"We've learned a lot since our auction earlier this year," says Jeff Antebi, founder and creative director of Waxploitation. "This time, we are working towards not just raising money for relief organizations, but also putting together a nationwide petition demanding that the Senate and White House take definitive action against the Sudanese government. It seems like every time there's a moment for this horror to finally be addressed, something overshadows it in the news media. So we're going to shake the trees ourselves and create a way for people to take real action."

Earlier this year, Waxploitation released a CD titled Genocide in Sudan with featured artists including Gorillaz, System of a Down, Jurassic 5, Danger Mouse & Murs, Yoko Ono, Thievery Corporation and Jill Scott to name a few. Proceeds from the sales of CD and the first Sudan auction raised over \$10,000 which was donated towards relief efforts in Sudan and Chad.

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Waxploitation, Inc. was founded in 1995 as a record company and management company for groundbreaking artists. It is the home to distinctive artists including Danger Mouse, Tha Alkaholiks, the Cee-Lo & Danger Mouse collab project called Gnarls Barkley, Teargas & Plateglass, DangerDoom (the MF Doom / Danger Mouse collab album) and Tweaker. Waxploitation's past artists helped establish the company's legacy for being at the tipping point of great music, artists including Jimmy Tamborello (Postal Service), Paul Leary (Butthole Surfers), Chris Vrenna (Nine Inch Nails), Al Jourgensen (Ministry), Josh Wink, King Britt, Dave Dederer (President of the United States of America) and Matt Dike (the Dust Brothers) to name a few.

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