

Harlem Rap Superstar Jim Jones' New Drop

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Harlem superstar rap artist and Diplomats Hip-Hop Capo Jim Jones returns to the spotlight with his second full-length album, *Harlem: The Diary of A Summer*, which will be released on Diplomat Records/KOCH Records on Tuesday, July 26th. The new album is the follow-up to Jim's acclaimed debut, *On My Way To Church*.

Fortitude, ambition and creative business tactics are at the forefront of Jim Jones' career. The enigmatic Diplomat CEO and entrepreneur spent the past decade designing an empire that will solidify his place in Hip Hop history and beyond.

Bronx-born and Harlem raised, Jim Jones knew all too well at a very early age what the streets had to offer. While he experienced his share of trouble growing up in Harlem, he was fortunate enough to escape anything that would cause him to wind up as another statistic in the concrete jungle.

After continued success with his Dipset crew and his Diplomat Record label, Jim's solo album, *On My Way To Church*, debuted at #18 on Billboard Top 200 in August 2004, and has sold over 200,000 copies independently to date. The album garnered critical praise from both street publications and mainstream outlets such as *The New York Times* who stated, "Jim Jones has more charisma and attitude than most rappers put together." The videos for the first single, "Certified Gangsta," and second single, "Crunk Musik," have received consistent airplay on both BET and MTV. Jim Jones is also exceedingly popular in the fast-paced world of mix-tape releases.

The first single from *Harlem: The Diary of A Summer*, will be "Baby Girl" which has already started picking up heat on hip-hop rap stations Hot 97 and Power 105 in NY, and several other stations across the country. Look for a new video for "Baby Girl" coming your way real soon.

Harlem: The Diary of A Summer will be released in three configurations including a DualDisc version which will feature the entire new album in LPCM Stereo, a brand-new Jim Jones documentary plus uncensored versions of some of his biggest videos. Additional Explicit/Edited versions of the album will also be available.

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Regarding the new album, Jones offers, "It's the soundtrack to summertime in the ghetto. The main objective is to stay alive during those months 'cause it's so hot, you gotta do what you gotta do to stay cool. This album will keep you real cool, like drinking an ice cold glass of Sizzurp."

In addition to his many ventures, Jim Jones is also gaining respect for his role as a music video director winning several music award nominations. He created the vision behind numerous videos for Dipset emcee Cam'ron including "Oh Boy," "Hey Ma," and "Get Em Girl/Killa Cam," State Property's "When You Hear That," as well as his own popular "Certified Gangsta" and "How G Is This" videos.

Jim takes his ability to influence the world at large very serious, he continues to search for new ways to find social and political growth while progressing within the Hip Hop culture. Currently, Jim is an active participator in Russell Simmons' Hip Hop Summit, The Andre Neal Foundation as well as the Southeast Queens Action Network for Public Schools, all which focus on building and strengthening the community through its youth, educating them on politics and teaching them how influential their voice is.

Selections from Harlem: The Diary of A Summer are set to include the following joints:

"My Diary" feat. Denise Weeks

"Gees Up" feat. Cam'ron, Max B

"J.I.M.M.Y."

"What Is This"

"Honey Dip" feat. Juelz Santana, Cam'ron, Latiff

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“Ride Wit It” feat. Juelz Santana

“Penitentiary Chance” feat. Hell Rell

“We Just Ballin’” feat. T.K.

“Drunk Hoe” feat. Jha’ Jha and Paul Wall

“We Gone Get So High” feat. Max B

“Harlem”

“Confront Ya Babe” feat. Max B

“Summer With Miami (In Between The Streets)” feat. Trey Songz

“In Love Wit A Thug” feat. Denise Weeks

“Tupac Joint” feat. Fatal Hussien, 40.Cal

“Baby Girl” feat. Max B

“My Calling”

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