

New Album and Tour Dates for Hip Hop Legends X-Clan

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Hip hop legends X-Clan return with new studio LP and tour dates with Jurassic 5 and Damien Marley.

In 1990, the Hip Hop generation was introduced to a new era of music via the X-Clan.

“We have to adjust and balance the quality of music we listen to. Constant negative input leads to negative living, support positive music,” Brother J says.

With the tragic passing of hip-hop cultural leader Professor X in March 2006, the message of X-Clan and the Blackwatch Movement is being carried forward by his protégé, Brother J, X-Clan’s co-founder and spokesman.

Making its debut in 1990 with, *To The East Blackwards*, and with their 1992 sophomore effort, *Xodus*, (both of which are considered classics and peaked at #11 on the Hip hop charts) X-Clan was at the forefront of Hip hop’s cultural movement. With hits like “Funkin’ Lesson,” “Heed The Word of the Brother” and “Raise The Flag,” X-Clan secured Hip hop as their vehicle to deliver and advance the science and math of upliftment, popularizing the ideas of Malcolm X, Sonny Carson, Huey Newton and Clarence 13X, while keeping dance floors packed.

Led by Brother J, the Clan’s founder and original lead MC, X-Clan are ready again to move your mind, body and spirit like back in the day, as one of the most powerful and influential hip hop crews Hip hop has ever witnessed, have returned after nearly a decade-long hiatus. Moving forward, Brother J, Ultraman Ra Hanna, ACL, DJ FatJack, Kumu M. Haynes and Master China will carry forward the message into the next generation of X-Clan with the release of *Return From Mecca*, which will be released on 10-31-06 and finds the group reforming their groundbreaking tradition of displaying ancestral wisdom, culture and a signature lyrical style that appeals to all generations of Hip-Hop. Joining X-Clan on their celebrated return are a bevy of high-profile collaborators; among them Jurassic 5’s Chali 2NA, KRS-One, Jacoby Shaddix of rap Roach, RBX, Abstract Rude and YZ (as of press time, X-Clan is also in the studio putting

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the finishing touches on a still unnamed track with Damian Marley which will make the LP). In addition, there are also a bevy of buzz worthy West Coast producers chipping in production, including the legendary DJ Quik, DJ Khalil, Jake One and Bean One. X-Clan's new LP also marks the group's debut for hip-hop and underground tastemakers Suburban Noize Records.

In addition, X-Clan has already embarked on a two-month tour supporting Jurassic 5. The tour launched on July 18 in Seattle, WA and will hit key major markets across the U.S. before wrapping up in Las Vegas, NV on September 13. "I knew from the time I stepped into the booth with Charlie 2na that it was destiny for the X-Clan and Jurassic 5 to come together," says X-Clan's Brother J. "If you study Hip hop you wonder who carries the torch of the legendary Hip hop crews, when you see the J5 show the realization is clear. It is an honor to travel with a group that has maintained quality with consistency from the underground to major label status."

The tour dates, which follow appearances by X-Clan at the Def Poetry Jam, the Legends of Hip Hop Concert and a 17-date tour with Grammy-winning reggae star Damian "Jr. Gong" Marley --will be surrounded by an intense buzz by X-Clan fans eagerly awaiting the band's new studio effort Return From Mecca, which will drop on 10-31-06.

JURASSIC 5 – "Feedback Tour" 2006 w/ X-Clan

Aug. 16	New York, NY	Irving Plaza
Aug. 19	Hartford, CT	Webster Theatre
Aug. 22	Burlington, VT	Higher Ground
Aug. 24	Buffalo	Town Ballroom
Aug. 25	Cleveland	House Of Blues

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Aug. 26 Detroit St. Andrews Hall

Aug. 28 Cincinnati Bogarts

Aug. 30 St. Louis The Pageant

Aug. 31 Indianapolis The Vogue

Sep. 1 Chicago House Of Blues

Sep. 2 Milwaukee The Eagles Club

Sep. 4 Minneapolis 1st Ave

Sep. 5 Lawrence, KS Granada Theatre

Sep. 8 Aspen The Belly Up

Sep. 10 Boulder Fox Theatre

Sep. 11 Salt Lake City Depot

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Sep. 13 Las Vegas House Of Blues

Tracklisting and Credits for X Clan's Return To Mecca:

- 1.) Intro (produced by DJ Fat Jack)
- 2.) Aragorn (produced by Quazedelic)
- 3.) 3rd Eye f/Tri State of One Session (produced by DJ Khalil)
- 4.) Hovercraft
- 5.) Why You Doin That (produced by Bean One)
- 6.) Voodoo f/RBX & Quazedelic (produced by DJ Khalil)
- 7.) Weapon X (Produced by Ultraman "Ra Hanna")
- 8.) Mecca f/Jah Orah (produced by Quazedelic)
- 9.) Speak The Truth f/KRS-One (produced by Jake One)
- 10.) Self Destruct (produced by J Thrill)

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- 11.) Positrons (produced by Quazedelic)

- 12.) Prison f/Christian Scott (produced by Proh Mic)

- 13.) Atonement f/Jah Orah (produced by DJ Fat Jack)

- 14.) Funky For You f/Chali 2NA (produced by Quazedelic)

- 15.) Verbal Pimpin (produced by DJ Quik)

- 16.) Trump Card f/Hannah B (produced by ACL/Fat Jack/P-Nice)

- 17.) To The East f/YZ & Abstract Rude (produced by DJ Fat Jack)

- 18.) Space People f/Quazedelic (produced by Quazedelic)

- 19.) America f/ Jacoby Shaddix of Papa Roach (produced by P. Shevlin)

For more information on X-Clan check:

<http://www.xclanmusic.com>

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