Hip Hop Legend Ice T to Produce ICEBERG SLIM Documentary

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Pioneering Hip Hop Rapper turned actor Ice T is set to uncover the secrets behind the man who inspired his hip hop stage alias. The legendary hip hop figure is producing a documentary about novelist ICEBERG SLIM. The documentary will follow 35 years of Iceberg Slim, beginning as a criminal and moving on to his more recent career as a writer.

Ice T, whose real name is Tracy Lauren Marrow – and has the nickname of O.G. (Original Gangsta), has credited the acclaimed author and former pimp as his reason for seeking fame and fortune, prompting him to adopt his stage name in admiration of his hero.

The west coast hip hop legend, who now resides in North Bergen, New Jersey with a second home in Chandler, Arizona, is now planning to document the tale of the Trick Baby writer, spanning from his 35 years as a career criminal to his rise as one of black America's most revered writers.

Ice T believes fans will be as intrigued by the mysterious man's biography as he is. He told the New York Post gossip column PageSix, "Iceberg" Slim has been one of the most influential people in black culture. Few people know the story behind the man and it's time that story is told."

Ice T explained: "Although I never met the man, Iceberg Slim was to have a profound effect on my career and life... Like him, I wanted to be somebody who didn"t just die there out on the streets. I wanted to be able to document some of my experiences, and that's what I"ve been trying to do in my music for the past decade. I took my rap name in tribute to him, and I"ve never regretted it. He was a real hustler."

No release date is given.