

# J.Dilla's Back To The Crib Mixtape Unearthed

BBE Records just unearthed J.Dilla's *Back To The Crib* mixtape from '99-'00. Pete Adarkwah, co-founder of BBE Records had this to say about the mixtape: "Towards the end of 1999 or early 2000, it was my first trip to Detroit. James (Yancey) was working with James Poyser on Erykah's *Mama's Gun* LP. We'd checked out a couple of record stores (I can't recall where or their names) and this tape was playing in the car. I recall "Think Twice was" on the tape and I suggested there and then that he do a cover with Erykah for the BBE album. We didn't get the Erykah feature, but people sure remember James' cover. We drove past a sign, it said Welcome To Detroit and I suggested that would be a good name for the album. When we pulled over James gave me the tape and said this is yours, or words to effect." BBE is also releasing a reissue of J.Dilla's [\*The Shining\*](#) on August 29th.