

Roxanne Shante In Her Own Words

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Roxanne Shante sits for *Mass Appeal* and talks about being in hip-hop for 35 years and her Netflix movie *Roxanne Roxanne*. "Roxanne's Revenge" was the song Marley Marl produced for Shante when she was 14-years old and she explains how the whole event happened because of proximity and a need for clean underwear. The record sparked what is known as The Roxanne Wars because of all the response songs it inspired but Shante prefers to see it as a watershed moment for women in rap. Shante was the only woman rapper in 1984 to have the spotlight two years before the emergence of Salt-n-Pepa. *Roxanne Roxanne* will start streaming on Netflix March 23rd.