Digable Planets Live In The Northwest Parts 1 & 2

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Jake Lyon is filming a documentary about Digable Planets and this is some of the footage of them on tour in the northwest recently. The Rise and Fall and Eventual Return of The Insects from Sector Six is a work in progress and it will be interesting to hear about their much too short career and the absence of Ladybug Mecca. Thankfully they have maintained a good touring schedule and stageshows that are fun and solid. MC Lady Madarocka is their new female rapper but the altered state the band went into after Blowout Comb was just as depressing as the end of The Fugees and Lauryn Hill. It would be nice to hear the three original insects do a new album.

Media Questions Of The Week

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1. Was Gabourey Sidibe's skin really lightened for the cover of Elle magazine?

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2. Will Tyler Perry disappoint in his adaptation of Ntozake's Shange's For Colored Girls?



3. Why is Halle Berry the only big Black female movie star therefore prompting Aretha Franklin to choose her for her biopic?

Real Pimps Stand Up for New Film, "GhettoPhysics"

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Left to right: Marty "Mack" Breed , filmmaker William Arntz,

Reginald Simmons, the legendary Fillmore Slim and bottom Mark "Hook" Russell at screening for "GhettoPhysics"

Holllywood, CA — Filmmakers William Arntz and E. Raymond Brown rocked Los Angeles recently when a cadre of Oakland-based Pimps joined them for a 'tastemaker' preview screening of their groundbreaking collaboration "GhettoPhysics." Based on E. Raymond Brown's critically acclaimed book, Will the Real Pimps and Hos Please Stand Up — Peeping the Multi-leveled Global Game, "GhettoPhysics" will will be released nationally October 8 and open in Los Angeles October 22 from Captured Light Films and Samuel Goldwyn Films.

E.Raymond Brown and

■ William Arntz

A powerful documentary feature which mixes political commentary with social awareness and spirituality dynamics, "GhettoPhysics" jumps off the screen with input from Cornel West, Ice T, Too Short, John Perkins, Cynthia McKinney and Norman Lear. A colorful contingent of 'real life' pimps also flavor the cast including street legends "The West Coast

Godfather of the Game" Fillmore Slim, Hook da Crook, Mac Breed and Lo Da Show.

Engagingly interposing the "Pimp/Ho" dynamics of prostitution with the "Pimp/Ho" realities of the American capitalist system, while at the same time juxtaposing tenets of metaphysics, "GhettoPhysics" is the next dimension of William Arntz's box office hit "What the Bleep Do We Know!?" "What the Bleep Do We Know!?" enjoyed a theatrical run totaling \$11 million box office.

"GhettoPhysics" offers a hybrid blend of spirituality mixed with street logic to present a new wave of thought which breaks down the science of self empowerment. For individuals bombarded with social issues and concerns that include inflation, foreclosure, unemployment, healthcare issues, pollution, crime, recession and depression the film provides new hope. Arntz and Brown seek to offer a remedy that goes beyond 'new age' concepts and embrace a broader sector of urban culture. With modern day society seemingly on the verge of collapse, "GhettoPhysics" is a wake up battle cry for survival!

About interacting with legendary street players for the project, E. Raymond Brown says, "The street hierarchy is real. In order to even get certain interviews, I had to pass heavy scrutiny. The "game" is sacred- it's not to be told, it's to be sold. So they heavily vetted where I was going with the vision of the project. It was very interesting working with some of the most colorful and self-gravity generating characters I've ever met. They literally spin their own worldview… and somehow in the interplay of it all, it sustains."

"The overall concept of "GhettoPhysics" will change your world view," offers William Arntz. ""I now ask 'Where's the manipulation?' when I'm surveying current events. When I see something in the media, I will ask, 'Is this a pimp thing?' or

'Am I a pimp or a ho?' I am now more conscious of saying someone is playing the 'ho role' rather than saying 'They're a ho.'"

"GhettoPhysics" is an engaging and expansive perspective that will initiate and stimulate dialogue for years to come. Wake up and check out the "GhettoPhysics" trailer at http://www.ghettophysics.com and peep the exclusive film gems under the "Video Section."

Prince Of Broadway (Trailer)

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Prince Of Broadway is a story about two immigrants working in the garment district of New York City who tackle issues of family and success. If Lee Daniels is presenting this film by Sean Baker it must have some kind of thought-provoking qualities.