

# Talib Kweli & Madlib-One For Biz Feat. Wildchild & Q-Tip Official Video

Talib Kweli's "One For Biz" video featuring Wildchild and Q-Tip looks like a warm vacation getaway. Madlib produced the tribute to the late Biz Markie, and he appears in the video with Talib and Wildchild. The trio takes in the sun and a little bit of the stage as they mug for the camera under the direction of Edgar Hudson. Kweli gives the late rap pioneer credit for showing him how to give a live show. "One For Biz" is from Kweli's *Liberation 2* album, which is exclusively available on the [Luminary](#) platform. The Biz Markie documentary, *All Up In The Biz*, is streaming on various services.

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## R.I.P. Biz Markie

Golden Age rapper Biz Markie has passed at age 57. The rapper had a stroke in 2020 and had been recovering. He became famous for his 1989 hit "Just A Friend" and helped introduce beatboxing to the world. Biz Markie's benevolent humor made him an unusual jester in hip-hop when his peers were all working hard to be cool and invincible. He was a member of the revered Juice Crew with Big Daddy Kane, Roxanne Shante, MC Shan and Kool G Rap. Biz Markie's 1988 debut album *Goin' Off* was a classic of the era thanks to "Vapors," "Pickin' Boogers" "Nobody Beats The Biz" "Biz Is Goin Off" and "Nobody Beats The Biz." His 1989 sophomore album *The Biz Never Sleeps* contained "Just A Friend" and was an important moment in hip-hop. "Just

"A Friend" is the earliest instance of a rapper singing years before Ja Rule made duets with Ashanti. His third album *I Need A Haircut* was another pioneering release for hip-hop because of the legal issues it set off thanks to a sample of Gilbert O' Sullivan's "Alone Again (Naturally)." Sullivan sued Biz Markie which resulted in a landmark judgement that required all future samples to be cleared by the original copyright owner.

Biz Markie released one more album in the '90s, *All Samples Cleared!* before focusing on television appearances and guesting on music projects. In 1996, he appeared on the Red Hot Organization's *America Is Dying Slowly* which was designed to bring A.I.D.S. awareness to young Black men. In the 2000s he appeared in *Men In Black II* and popped up on various television shows including Nick Cannon's *Wild 'n Out*. He worked as a DJ opening for Chris Rock's No Apologies tour and regularly played industry parties. His final studio album *Weekend Warriors* was released in 2003.

He was the official DJ for VH-1's *Hip Hop Squares* from 2017-2019. Viewers of the TV show *Black-ish* saw him perform "Just A Friend" on the season three finale. In 2020, he started hosting a Sirius XM radio show on LL Cool J's Rock The Bells channel.

Biz Markie's one of kind legacy is seen and heard everytime a rapper beatboxes, sings and needs to clear a sample for a song. His Harlem roots expanded from New York City to the world and is a reminder that it is OK for a rapper to smile and that the core of hip-hop is fun.

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# Pandora Sounds Like You Hosts NYC Concert Featuring Nas, Young M.A. & Dave East (Photos)



Nas attends Pandora Sounds Like You NYC featuring Nas, Young M.A, Dave East and Biz Markie DJ Set at Brooklyn Steel on July 19, 2017, Photo Credit: Dave Kotinsky / Getty Images for Pandora



Young M.A attends Pandora Sounds Like You NYC featuring Nas, Young M.A, Dave East and Biz Markie DJ Set at Brooklyn Steel on July 19, 2017, in New York City. Photo Credit: Dave Kotinsky / Getty Images for Pandora



Dave East attends Pandora Sounds Like You NYC featuring Nas, Young M.A, Dave East and Biz Markie DJ Set at Brooklyn Steel on July 19, 2017, in New York City. Photo Credit: Dave Kotinsky / Getty Images for Pandora



Biz Markie performs during Pandora Sounds Like You NYC featuring Nas, Young M.A, Dave East and Biz Markie DJ Set at Brooklyn Steel on July 19, 2017, in New York City. Photo Credit: Dave Kotinsky / Getty Images for Pandora



Young M.A performs onstage during Pandora Sounds Like You NYC featuring Nas, Young M.A, Dave East and Biz Markie DJ Set at Brooklyn Steel on July 19, 2017, in New York City. Photo Credit: Dave Kotinsky / Getty Images for Pandora

Pandora hosted their Pandora Sounds Like You NYC concert at Brooklyn Steel last night. Nas attended and there were performances from Young M.A. and Dave East. Biz Markie was the DJ for the event.

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## 80's Hip-Hop Remixed – Vol. II (Download)

“Back To The Beat vol.II: Old School Classics – Remixed”

To stream online: <http://www.back2thebeat2.com>

Direct download link (hi-bit rate MP3 Zip file):  
<http://t.opsp.in/CMnQ>

First, before folks get mad – this is not an attempt to re-create classics, just a tribute to Old School Hip-Hop, made for the fun and love of it.

Back in 2006, under-the-radar producer nomadic trackz released “Back To The Beat: Old School Classics – Remixed” – a free remix project which was done as a tribute to Old School Hip-Hop.

Back To The Beat caught the ears of many. Legendary artists

like T LA Rock, Rev Run, MC Lyte, Mike G / Jungle Brothers, and JVC Force (who were all remixed on the project), took a listen and gave props. Media outlets such as Allhiphop, MTV's Mixtape Monday, Hiphopgame, Okayplayer, Mass Appeal, XLR8R, Billboard, and others all gave the project love.

Now, 4 years later nomadic trackz presents: "Back To The Beat vol.II: Old School Classics – Remixed"

1. Fresh Stuff Intro
2. Cinderfella Dana Dane " Dana Dane
3. Stop The Violence " Boogie Down Productions
4. I Cram To Understand U " MC Lyte
5. Princess Of The Posse " Queen Latifah
6. The Posse Is Large " Lakim Shabazz
7. Just A Friend " Biz Markie
8. Set It Off " Big Daddy Kane
9. Everybody Get Up " Salt-N-Pepa
10. I Gotta Good Thing – Super Lover Cee & Casanova Rud
11. Fresh Is The Word " Mantronix
12. Court Is Now In Session " Chill Rob G
13. Ill Street Blues Dub Outro " Kool G Rap

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