

Black Rob-Showin Up

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“Showin’ Up” is the next single from Black Rob’s Duck Down debut *Game Tested, Streets Approved*.

Black Rob-Celebration

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Black Rob’s Duck Down debut, *Game Tested, Streets Approved* is out now.

Black Rob Inks Deal With Duck Down Music

Black Rob is the newest affiliate of Duck Down Music. The former Bad Boy, Harlem rapper is poised to release his first studio album in over five years. This past May, Black Rob was released from prison after serving four years for failing to show up to a previous sentence hearing for a grand larceny charge. Over the past seven months Black Rob has returned to the studio where he’s always felt most comfortable.

Black Rob explains the LP is a “testimony of what I stand for and how I feel. The people have been asking for true hip hop music, and that’s what I’m giving them. I stayed away from

features. I've been away for 4 joints, so I feel the people deserve to hear me. When I came home, I went right to work, and didn't have time to reach out to cats. On my next project you will get that. As for producers, I have some up-and-coming cats on there. I believe in giving cats a chance. As far as named producers you may hear a joint or two from Buckwild, Self Service, Bishop, Scram Jones and Pete Rock."

On his decision to work with Duck Down Music, Black Rob reveals that he "always respected their movement and also been a fan of their music. If I'm going independent why not go with a team I respect, and they have always had a true family setting & environment."

During the course of his career, Black Rob has recorded several successful projects. In 2000, he released 'Life Story,' which has sold over 1 million units & featured the well-known single, "WHOA!" Five years later, he returned with 'The Black Rob Report,' which surpassed sales of 100,000 units. Again, five years later, Black Rob is readying a new album entitled 'Game Tested & Street Approved.'

Fans in New York City will get to see Black Rob perform at the Duck Down VS Blacksmith CMJ Showcase on October 19th at Le Poisson Rouge located on 158 Bleeker St (between Thompson and Sullivan) at 10PM. 18+ event. Tickets are only \$20. The first CMJ Badge holders to arrive will receive free access (limited-number).

For tickets visit: <http://lepoissonrouge.com/events/view/1552>

Throwback: G-Dep-Let's Get It Featuring Diddy & Black Rob

G-Dep joined the Bad Boy family in 1999 and started out by making guest appearances on albums for Diddy and Biggie. His album *Child Of The Ghetto* was released in 2001 and ["Special Delivery"](#) was his first single and it gave him an identity as a solo artist. "Let's Get It" is the video that most credit with introducing the Harlem Shake dance. *Child Of The Ghetto* got G-Dep to the mainstream but longtime fans believe his best work was done before Bad Boy when he released mixtapes on the underground circuit. G-Dep later appeared on projects lead with Guru and DJ Premier. In 2007 he and Loon released the mixtape *Bad Boy* and he put another one out last year called *Deponomics*. He performed ["Special Delivery"](#) as recently as last May at The Elegant Hoodness Showcase.