

Media Questions Of The Week

J Dilla's brother Illa J doesn't think Kanye would be as big as he is now if Dilla hadn't passed...
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– Andrew Barber (@fakeshoredrive) [June 3, 2024](#)

Is Illa J right when he says that if his brother J.Dilla were alive Kanye West would've had a less successful career?

Billboard staff ranks the '10 Hottest Female Rappers Right Now':

- #1 Nicki Minaj
- #2 Sexyy Red
- #3 Megan Thee Stallion
- #4 Doja Cat
- #5 Ice Spice
- #6 GloRilla
- #7 Cardi B
- #8 Latto
- #9 JT
- #10 Flo Milli

– chart data (@chartdata) [June 5, 2024](#)

Is the Billboard list of the current 10 Hottest Female Rappers accurate?

**Grandmaster Flash & Tierra
Whack To Co-Headline Hip Hop
50 Concert In Conjunction
With Keith Haring Exhibit +
J. Dilla Tribute**



Grandmaster Flash by Grandmaster Flash

Grandmaster Flash and Tierra Whack will co-headline a Hip Hop 50 concert presented by The Broad this Saturday (Aug.26th). The concert is happening in conjunction with the exhibition *Keith Haring: Art Is for Everybody* and a tribute to J.Dilla by DJs Monalisa and Wyldeflower with an appearance by IIIa J. The concert is the last event of the summer celebrating hip-hop at The Broad that featured monthly screenings of the PBS

series “Fight The Power: How Hip hop Changed the World” and a conversation between Chuck D of Public Enemy, Lisane Basquiat, sister of Jean-Michel Basquiat, Gil Vazquez, Director of The Haring Foundation, and Lorrie Boule, writer and producer of *Fight The Power: How Hip-Hop Changed the World* about Hip-Hop and visual art.

The Keith Haring exhibit shows how hip-hop influenced the late artist with visuals of boomboxes, DJs and breakdancing figures. Grandmaster Flash’s foundational contribution to hip-hop on classics like “The Message” and “White Lines” changed the course of hip-hop. Tierra Whack, who can be currently seen in Netflix’s *Ladies First*, is a Grammy-nominated rapper known for her slick wordplay. She will perform music from her critically acclaimed *Whack World*, Whack History Month series and her *Rap?* EP as well as new material.

DJs Monalisa and Wyldeflower will play a set dedicated to late hip-hop production genius J.Dilla with an appearance from his brother IIIa J.

More Information about the event can be found at www.thebroad.org.



Tierra Whack by Flo Ngala

**Listen: J.Dilla's 20th
Anniversary Edition Of**

Welcome 2 Detroit



Today would have been J. Dilla's 47th birthday and it is also the 15th anniversary of *Donuts*, the album he was working on before he passed. It is well known that Dilla's dedication to his craft had him working on *Donuts* from his sickbed. The instrumental album was named after his favorite dessert and was a bittersweet ending that elevated his legend.Â

On Friday, the 20th-anniversary edition of his solo album *Welcome 2 Detroit* was released to the streaming platforms. There are instrumentals and never heard alternate versions of the songs. The producer's short life is still being felt in his music that continues to astound and cause serious head-nodding 15 years later. Busta Rhymes who worked with Dilla, used one of his beats on his current *Extinction Level Event 2: The Wrath Of God* album.Â

This year rapper Frank Nitti who also worked with Dilla hosted the first digital Dilla Fest to celebrate his life. Ma Dukes talks about her son's childhood love of music and how they recognized his gifts early. There are appearances from Amp Fiddler, Robert Glasper, his brother Illa J, Pete Rock, Guilty Simpson, DJ Rhettmatic, Terrace Martin and T3 of Slum Village. DJ Spinna closes the event with a DJ set.Â

The Potatohead People Connect With T3, Illa J & Kapok On What It Feels Like



The Potatohead People offer a sample of their full-length album coming in the fall with the new single “What It Feels Like.” Slum Village members Illa J, T3 and Vancouver rapper Kapok join the Canadian producers on the song. The two-man team released “Single Life” last year making “What It Feels Like” their first musical output for 2020. The new album is called Mellow Fantasy and will be released later this year. [youtube id="k_03aqeLIv4"]