

# Media Questions Of The Week



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How are the murders of Tupac Shakur and The Notorious B.I.G. [connected](#)?

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*BREAKING: One of the last living witnesses to the fatal drive-by shooting of rapper Tupac Shakur was charged with murder with use of a deadly weapon, 27 years after the hip-hop icon was gunned down. <https://t.co/fcfUIkx1KR>*

– The Associated Press (@AP) [September 29, 2023](#)

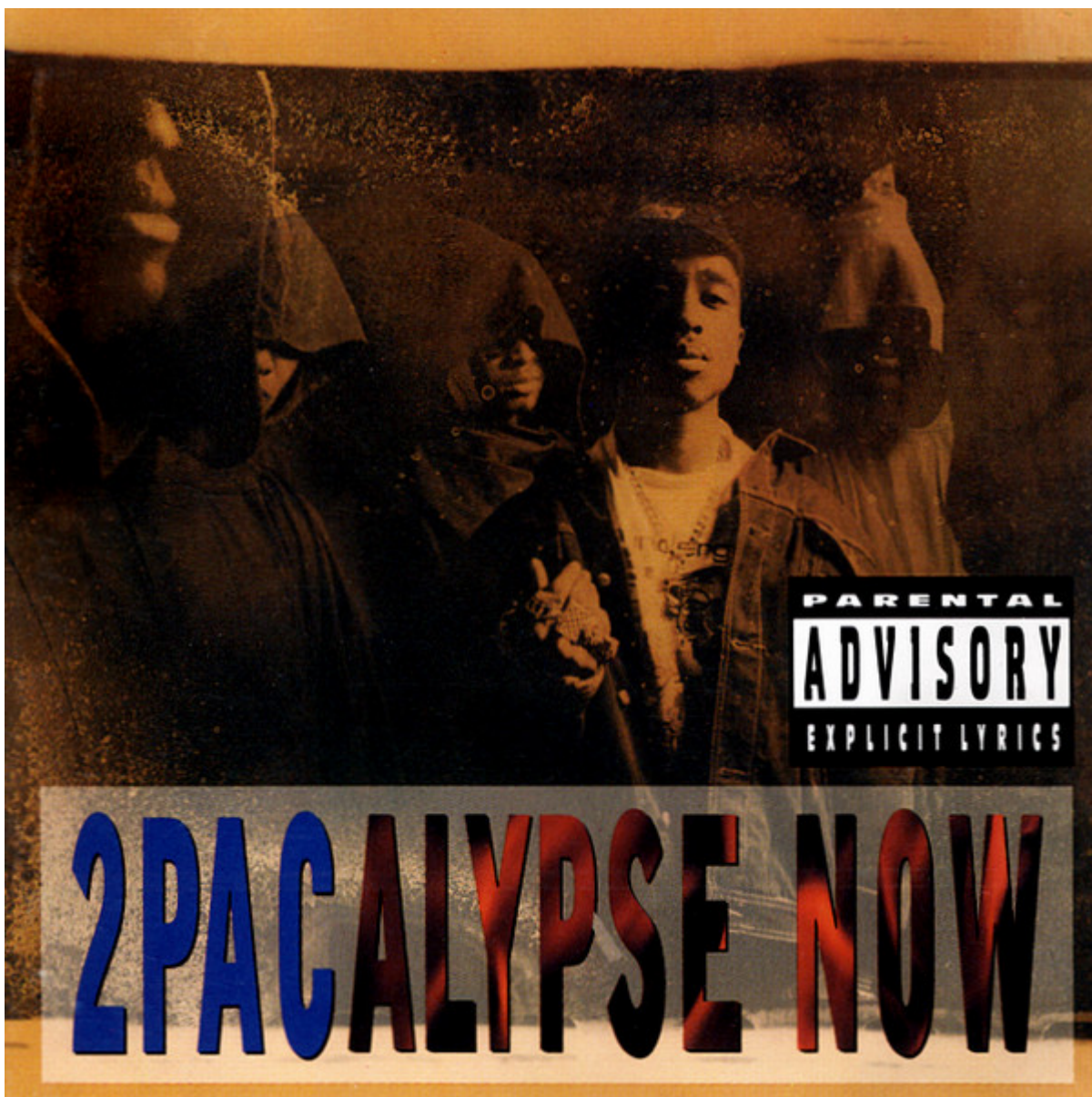
Is Duane “Keefe D” Davis Tupac Shakur’s killer?

Will Usher have stripper poles included in his Super Bowl

halftime show, and if so, will it cause outrage?

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## Throwback: Tupac Shakur-If My Homie Calls



Tupac Shakur's brotherhood anthem "If My Homie Calls" is on his 1991 debut album *2Pacalypse Now*. The single was a part of the album's overall theme, which was focused on what Tupac saw in his immediate world and the community at large. He stated

in an interview that he wanted to rap about things that affected young Black males and “Trapped” was a commentary on police brutality. But “Brenda Had A Baby” talked about teen pregnancy. Vice President Dan Quayle admonished the album after the attorney for then-19-year-old Ronald Ray Howard blamed the music for his fatal shooting of a state trooper.

“If My Homie Calls” had no profanity and it represented Tupac’s purest ideals before he became an antagonistic rapper three albums and five years later. The video had several Black men socializing harmoniously together and Tupac alternating between performing on stage and walking the streets. *2Pacalypse Now* established the potential of Tupac’s voice transcending a hip-hop audience and possibly captivating the world outside of music. Thirty-two years later Tupac’s debut album still influences artists of multiple genres and gets an intense reaction from cross-generational hip-hop fans. He is still one of the world’s most famous rappers 27 years after his murder. In April of 2023, the Allen Hughes-directed documentary *Dear Mama: The Saga Of Afeni and Tupac Shakur* premiered on FX. On June 7, 2023, Tupac received a star on the Hollywood Walk of Fame.

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## **Tupac Dear Mama Docuseries Coming To FX**

FX has a five-part documentary coming out about Tupac Shakur’s relationship with his mother named after his song “Dear Mama.” The cable channel dropped the teaser on Mother’s Day and Afeni can be heard talking about the way she disciplined her son.

The Allen Hughes-directed series will come out in the fall.

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