

New Revelations on Rap Icon Tupac's NY Shooting

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On November 30th, 1994 at 12:20 a.m., west coast rap icon Tupac Shakur was shot at the Quad Recording Studios in Times Square in New York. The media largely portrayed the shooting as a standard robbery, in which rapper Tupac Shakur went for his gun, and was shot. According to Tupac (2Pac) and others however, the story runs a lot deeper.

Ethan Brown writes about pop music, crime, and drug policy for publications such as Wired, New York, Rolling Stone, The Village Voice, and GQ.

In the upcoming December issue of VIBE, Ethan Brown has the first ever extensive interview with Jimmy "Henchmen" Rosemond about the Quad shooting.

New revelations about the Quad shooting, including brand new revelations from the hustlers who befriended rap legend Tupac Shakur just before he was shot at the Quad, as well as a new timeline of the Quad shooting itself will be mentioned in the December VIBE.

Ethan Brown also has a book out that together with the VIBE article will shed new light on this subject.

"The book and the article together provide the fullest account of what happened at the Quad so far. And the access I got to Jimmy Henchmen was unbelievable. I interviewed Jimmy nearly half a dozen times and he was remarkably open with me about what happened that night" Ethan Brown told ThugLifeArmy.com.

His book 'Queens Reigns Supreme : Fat Cat, 50 Cent, and the Rise of the Hip Hop Hustler' is based on police wiretaps and exclusive interviews with drug kingpins and hip-hop insiders. It is the untold story of how the streets and housing projects of southeast Queens took over the rap industry.

For years, rappers from Nas to Ja Rule have hero-worshipped the legendary drug dealers who dominated Queens in the 1980s with their violent crimes and flashy lifestyles.

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Now, for the first time ever, this gripping narrative digs beneath the hip-hop fables to re-create the rise and fall of hustlers like Lorenzo “Fat Cat” Nichols, Gerald “Prince” Miller, Kenneth “Supreme” McGriff, and Thomas “Tony Montana” Mickens. Spanning twenty-five years, from the violence of the crack era to Run DMC to the infamous murder of NYPD rookie Edward Byrne to Tupac Shakur to 50 Cent’s battles against Ja Rule and Murder Inc., to the killing of Jam Master Jay, Queens Reigns Supreme is the first inside look at the infamous southeast Queens crews and their connections to gangster culture in hip hop today.

Make sure you read Ethan Brown’s article in the December VIBE.