

Brand Nubian

"Concerto in X Minor"

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["rat pack" style announcer]

Well ahh, good evening my nubian brothers and sisters

ahh

Tonight we got a really big show ahh really big show

ahh

Con-duc-ting his con-cer-to in x minor

We have, the brother, derek x

Ahh, his theme tonight, will be on

Racism, in a new yawrk, backdrop

Brother derek x..

[derek (sadat) x]

Aw yes yes yes thank you thank you thank you

And alla that, yo

Before I get this wreck I wanna give a strong shout

To all the positive brothers and sisters that's out there

And I just wanna let y'all know

Who I came down here with

I slid in here with lord j

And alamo with the a

And I came to get wreck, like this!!

I'm kinda blessed so I wrote this manifesto for life

Co-signed by the others with a knife

* alamo cuts and scratches "brand nubian!" *

On the real tip let's take a field trip from the ghetto

You pick the time and we'll meet in the meadow

To discuss racial issues and tension

New york's a powder keg did I forge to mention?

* alamo cuts and scratches "new york, new york" *

Now case in point y'all remember that brooklyn bridge
joint

When things got wild and willy?

Yeah that day the feds played the role of the bully

"up against the car!"

"yo I ain't even do nuttin man"

"aiyyo shut up or you get smacked!"

"yo why you pushin me why you hittin me man? "

Now huey newton was slain and we all felt the pain

Of yusef hawkins, and they was mad but we was

squakin

They tried to show a false compassion, yet at the rally

They tried to bash in our brains

Further adding to the bloodstains

I was mad at this news and so was my brothers

And I wanted to get violent but I'm a lover of black
mothers

And black mothers need sons

Not children that's been killed by guns..

It's, just a-nother form of slavery, a modern day lynchin

The others get the world, the black man feels the
tension

Inside, not out to hide, just provides us all the answer

I will stop racial injustice if I get the chance to!

* alamo cuts and scratches "when the revolution
comes" *

Now, the

Civilized man's main goal is to teach

And I try to achieve this with verbal outreach

In my community, and all outlaying counties

Spread the message of good with my now rule mighty

Step up to the right, dispense and be known

Remember what I said is to teach your own

At home first, and as we disperse

I sparks your head like a cloudburst

Ya don't stop, ya don't quit

Derek x I'm guaranteed to be the ultimate

(brother derek x) I kicks the flavor!

So bust that I drop the stack from my almanac

It's all truth so it's got to be a shown fact

So keep on this is the dawn of the capricorn turtle

A rhyme that I kick is stored daily in my journal

Or my diary when speakin on the black man I gets fiery

The record's in the record store, category's black war

Best you ever saw and it comes in a three or a four
pack

In a month or two I'll be back

To confer with you on both of my works

In my contract, I get crazy perks from elektra

See me kick this rhyme and I covered the whole
spectrum

This is the final verse, grand finale in crescendo

Message substance of the x cannot be thrown out the
window

Unseen, lean two years past the teen

Never use makeup got a natural sheen

It's like that y'all let's have a ball

I'm derek x about six feet tall

Yeah and as I stop this wreck for one sec
I wanna give a shout to the grand puba
Also to club kid marley marl ("i understand that time is
running out")
Pete rock from the vernon
I wanna give a shout to mike p and cherokee also in
tucson
("i understand that time is running out")
Rich with the carry on
I wanna give a shout to all the gods in now rule
("understand that time is running out")
Melacasis, sea and my man true born
I wanna give a shout to big bob ("time is running out")
Scooby real and the whole mob from the stallion mark
the spark
And I'm outta here
* alamo cuts "running out" *

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