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Synonyms for Bro...

-Broski

-Brodeo

-Brohan

-Broseph

-Brosicle

-Broseidon

-Brotato Chip

-Brotein Shake

Brofully Submitted,

-Broseph Stalin

J-Po da Wizzman

Why Jay Electronica is the Greatest Rapper of All Time

Brothers, I ask: who in this room has heard of Jay Electronica? I realize that this may be a very awkward question, considering the fact that I have no idea who is in the room with you, or what room this is, or the fact that you're probably not reading this out loud, and therefore nobody else has any clue that I asked them a question. Regardless, Jay Electronica is a name you should know. And this is why.

Jay Electronica was born Timothy ElpadaroThedford, in the Magnolia Projects in New Orleans. For those who don't know, the Magnolia Projects, also known as Harmony Oaks (how ironic), is much like a project a manic-depressive, homicidal second grader would have worked on: it is not well thoughtout, violent, and yet full of pride. You know you're in trouble when you're neighborhood gang is run by Ivory "B-Stupid" Harris. Anyway, not much is known about Jay's childhood, but in his song "The Departure", he mentions how his best friend Minnie got shot, prompting him to move to New York to finally start a rap career, around 2003-ish. This is when the fecal matter hits the fan.

"Shout out to Baltimore, Baton Rouge, my crew in Richmond/
While y'all debated who the truth was like Jews and Christians/
I was on Cecil B, Broad Street, Master/
North Philly, South Philly, 23rdTasker/
6 Mile, 7 Mile, Hartwell Griatiot/"

Those lines are from "Exhibit C", the song that made him famous. But more on that later. The point is, Jay, after struggling to find success in New York, traveled up and down the East Coast, and dabbled in the Midwest, searching for a break. Unlike most rappers who represent their birthplace and spend their time talking about how much better that place is than other people's birthplaces (an argument that people from the Magnolia Projects rarely win), Jay was perfecting his craft, making friends all across the country, from Baton Rouge up to Baltimore, on all the subway stops on Philly's Red Line (lines 3 & 4 online) as well as all across Detroit (line 5). Oh and by the way, he was homeless the whole time. He also mentions in "Exhibit C" how he was . . .

"sleepin on the train/
sleepin on Meserole Ave out in the rain/
without even a single slice of pizza to my name/
too proud to beg for change, mastering the pain."

He has clearly seen some major shiatsu go down. Eventually, he met the legendary J Dilla, made a mixtape with him, but unfortunately went nowhere. He proceeded to be educated by a radical sect of Black Islam, subsequently learning the Bible, the Qu'ran, and the Torah, spending every waking minute studying. He would make visits to shrines in Nepal and Tibet, and picked up some incredible skills.

He returned from Asia and watched the movie Eternal Sunshine of the Spotless Mind. Normally, I don't mention a trivial movie that an unheard-of underground rapper watches after spending a few months (years?) traveling to shrines and temples across Asia, HOWEVER, this movie is kind of significant in the story of Jay Electronica. You see, he took the soundtrack to this movie (full of strings, not very full of drums and basslines) and recorded 9 minutes of verses over it, split into 5 acts. All without any drums or choruses or crazy basses and synths: the complete antithesis of a hip-hop song. He gathered the attention of super-producer Just Blaze, and the two proceeded to make Exhibits A and C (there is no "Exhibit B". Yet this odd omission sort of fits with Mr. Thedford's overall bizarreness. He probably did it on purpose. The smug scoundrel). Sometime in between here, he had a child with R&B singer Erykah Badu. Yes, as her name suggests, she is quite weird, describing Jay as a pointy-eared alien "who would have a bow and arrow on his back, and wings under that bow and arrow". What a gal. Anyways, he took the rap world by storm after "Exhibit C", garnering the attention of rappers like Nas and T.I., as well as having Diddy and Jay-Z compete to have him sign with their labels. Jay-Z ended up winning that war, partially due to the fact that while Jay Electronica represents the purest form of hip-hop (the one where you make music strictly for the enjoyment of the music, not the one where you make music solely for profit. All of his releases have been free so far), Diddy has started a pop group called "Dirty Money" with two able-bodied women from Danity Kane (yeah I've never heard of them either). Biggie just rolled over in his grave. Now, as we await the release of "Act II: Patents of Nobility", his long-delayed next release, get familiar with Jay, and learn from the teachings of the chilliest rapper of all time (as well as the best lyricist. Go to rapgenius.com and find his songs because the meanings are really so deep you'll have trouble getting it on your own). Move over Eminem, move over Jay-Z, move over Childish (yeah, I said that), because there's a new rapper in town. He's Jay Electronica. And he's 36.

Some songs to get you started . . .

-"Act I: Eternal Sunshine of a Spotless Mind"

-"Dimethyltriptamine"

-"Shiny Suit Theory" (with Jay-Z)

-"Defcon 4"

-"Departure"

-"The Announcement"

-"Exhibit A"

-"Exhibit C"

-"Close Your Eyes" (with a weird electro-band The Bullitts, he comes in at around 2:20)

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Brothers,

Winter break is coming up, and besides RC, there's not much going on. So I decided to begin making a list celebrating one of America's finest talents... Nicolas Cage.

List of Good Nicolas Cage Movies...

- 1. Gone in 60 Seconds
- 2. Face/Off
- 3.was he in I Heart Huckabees? oh, wait, that was Mark Wahlberg.

List of Bad Nicolas Cage Movies...

1. Brubaker 25. Guarding Tess 2. Best of Times 26. It Could Happen to 3. Fast Times at You Ridgemont High 27. Trapped in Paradise 4. The Outsiders 28. Leaving Las Vegas 5. Valley Girl 29. The Rock 6. Rumble Fish 30. Con Air 53. Next 7. Racing with the Moon 31. Bringing Out the 8. The Cotton Club Dead 32. City of Angels 9. Birdy 10. The Boy in Blue 33.8mm 11. Peggy Sue Got 34. Snake Eyes 35. The Family Man Married 12. Raising Arizona 36. Welcome to

13. Moonstruck Hollywood 37. Italian Soldiers 14. Never on Tuesday 15. Vampire's Kiss 38. Captain Corelli's

16. Tempo di uccidere 17. Fire Birds 18. Wild Heart

19. Zandalee 20. Honeymoon in

Vegas

21. Amos & Andrew

22. Deadfall

23. A Century of Cinema

24. Red Rock West

Mandolin 39. Christmas Carol:

The Movie 40. Windtalkers 41. Adaptation. 42. Sonny

43. Matchstick Man 44. National Treasure

45. Lord of War

46. The Weather Man *these movies haven't come out yet, so I'm just anticipating. 47. The Ant Bully 48. The Wicker Man 49. Too Tough To Die 50. World Trade Center

51. Ghost Rider 52. Grindhouse

54. National Treasure:

Book of Secrets

55. Bangkok Dangerous

56. Knowing 57. G-Force 58. Astro Boy

59. Bad Lleutenant: Port of Call New Orleans 60. Season of the

Witch* 61. Kick-Ass 62. Sorcerer's Apprentice

63. The Hungry Rabbit

Jumps*

64. Drive Angry 65. Trespass* 66. The Croods*

67. Ghost Rider: Spirit of

Vengeance

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Unfunny Jokes...

I think it's wrong that legally blind people can go to jail.

24 hour banking? I don't have time for that!

On my highschool basketball team i played middle bench. I won MVP: Most valuable prick.

I gotted an 100 in English class. My teacher failed me after that.

My girlfriend was a lot like a magnet: she was very attractive and very bipolar.

Glitter is the AIDS of craft supplies. Once you get it, you can't get rid of it. Every piece of Juicy Couture clothing should come with a glass of apple juice.

The clothing brand "Free People" doesn't sell well in China.

Jay-Z doesn't take showers. He just brushes the dirt off.

A frat boy wakes up one morning, looks at the girl in his bed, and says "I can't believe its not butterface!"

Bush declared war on terror. He immediately began burning his Martin Scorsese movies.

It cost a lot of money for Americans to get free speech.

I sent Ray Charles like a million fan letters and he didn't read a single one.

I saw a blind guy at Weight Watchers. I heard he hadn't lost any weight.

I learned sign language because my family takes a million road trips.

Beethoven doesn't like any of my songs. :(

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