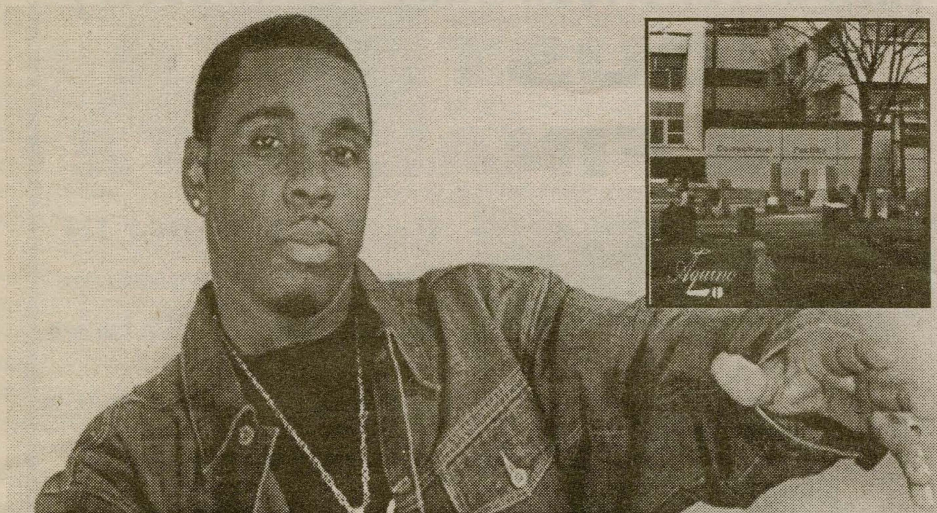


Aquino

Haters Gone Hate - Thangs Ya Do



Shaunte J. Cannady aka "Aquino"; a twenty something native of Seattle, WA describes himself as "The Mc the industry has been looking for but has not yet found." Growing up in a home with parents who are music lovers Aquino had his first hip-hop experience around age nine. Enlisting himself in freestyle battles, Aquino knew he wouldn't be taken seriously quoting the likes of The Sugar Hill Gang, Grand Master Flash, African Bamba, X- Clan and Milk-D. Soaking up the knowledge and influence of those artists two years later his first rhyme/song was written.

Listening and living hip-hop is not where it ends; "It's the music as well as all the different vibes and styles in hip-hop. And I want to master them all." When artists like 2-Pac, Rakim, X-rated, Gangstar, Wu-Tang, E-40, OutKast and Jay-Z came on the scene. The light bulb came on; "I had to tighten up my writing and flows if I want to approach my dreams with their same resilience." From open mic nights to competing in competitions he knew he probably wouldn't win Aquino protest; "If I only have one head bobbin' in the crowd, my labor is not in vain!"

Currently promoting his first full-length album "Consequences Before Discussions". He too humbles himself when he speaks about the Lord blessing him with the means to executive produce his own product. What sets him apart from the rest is his decision to "collaborate instead of hate". "Consequences Before Discussions" features some of Seattle's best in the game. "My goals in the Game/Music Business are to get my name on the wall as an emcee who left a lasting imprint and impression. Go out and find talent in the nook and crannies of the world. And lastly make sure I am in a position to elevate and share the blessings I have received from this game they call Hip-Hop."

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