# SYMBA RELEASES NEW MIXTAPE 'DON'T RUN FROM R.A.P.'

# GUEST FEATURES INCLUDE 2 CHAINZ, TY DOLLA \$IGN, O.T. GENASIS, MONEYBAGG YO, AYANIS & MORE

## NEW MIXTAPE ARRIVES ALONGSIDE INSPIRATIONAL COMPANION VISUAL FOR "REALITY IS"

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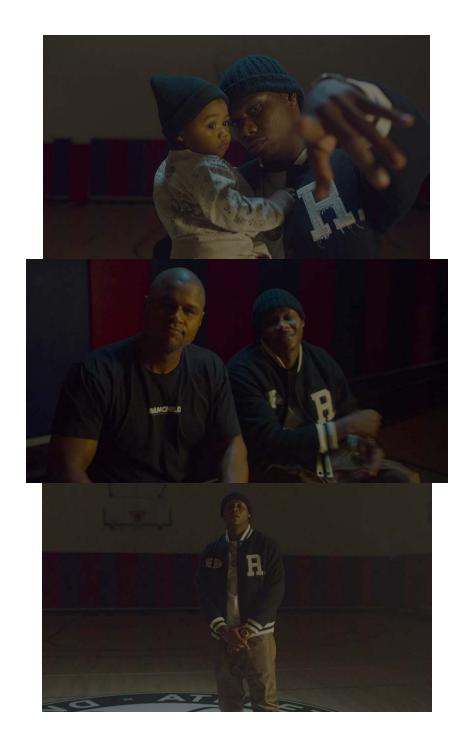
#### WATCH "REALITY IS" MUSIC VIDEO

"You always have this vision of how sh\*t's supposed to look or be when you finally reach your goals, but it never really happens that way. You learn things you value in life really don't mean sh\*t because it could change at any given moment. At this point, I'm living a day to day standard, trying to be the best person I could be. I know that one day my time's going to come and all that's left is moments like this, where my son can go back and read to figure out who his dad is. Everything I'm doing at this point, I'm saying Don't Run From R.A.P. I have a responsibility and principle to do better as a man every day, to help the next person to be able to feel the same way."



#### **WATCH "REALITY IS" HERE**

[Directed by Josh Almario; quotes from Symba, Schea Cotton below]



"Reality is, there's more of us that don't achieve our dreams then there are people who do. Most people might not reach their goals for several reasons; lack of support, being around the wrong crowd or some may fall short due to the politics of life. Schea Cotton was somebody I used to hear about as a kid in the Bay Area playing ball. He's a West Coast legend when it comes to basketball. Everybody used to always talk about how he was going to be the next best thing, and he was. But due to the politics of college basketball, Schea was never able to get a fair shot to showcase his skills on that level and ultimately would no longer have a chance to make it to the NBA. I wanted to tell his story because it's important to me that people continue to know who he is and what he's done. I believe our OG's have a responsibility

to give us game and tell their story, so we as the youth don't make those same mistakes. In turn, we as the youth also have a responsibility to make our OG's proud by taking their advice and applying it."

- Symba on the story behind the "Reality Is" music video

"When Symba let me hear the song "Reality Is," it captivated my attention, as well as my emotions right away! The way Symba painted the picture, it was easy for me to follow and was spot on with his verbiage regarding myself and my career. The "Reality Is" video captures the emotions of both me and my family! It personifies my experience surrounding the 2000 NBA draft and the effects there after! When I saw the video for the first time, it brought me to tears because I relived the whole experience. I'm thankful for Symba reaching out to me and Atlantic Records for this opportunity. My "Why" is so it doesn't happen to anyone else's kid! #Manchild #RealityIs

- Schea Cotton (Bay Area Basketball Legend)

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### Don't Run From R.A.P. Tracklist:

- 1. I'm 4Real
- 2. Touch The Sky
- 3. Reality Is
- 4. Big Homie (feat. 2 Chainz)
- 5. We Tried (feat. Jehkai)
- 6. Gotta Love It (feat. Ty Dolla \$ign)
- 7. Ain't Sayin Shit
- 8. Made For You (feat. Ayanis)
- 9. Get Out The Trap
- 10. Follow Me (feat. Moneybagg Yo, O.T. Genasis, Too \$hort & Justin Laboy)
- 11. Westside Story (feat. Jayson Cash & Major Myjah)
- 12. Back Again

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#### WATCH "BIG HOMIE (FEAT. 2 CHAINZ)" HERE

["Big Homie" produced by: Caston Grigsby; visual directed by: Mecca Don]



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#### **ABOUT SYMBA:**

Inspired by everyone from JAY-Z to Steve Stoute and Steve Jobs, Bay Area-born and Los-Angeles based rapper Symba dove headfirst into the rap game following a rough upbringing. After a series of collaborations with Young Curt took off in the Bay, he headlined early Los Angeles shows on bills with the likes of YG, Tyga, and DJ Mustard as early as 2010. Symba struggled financially while recording, but eventually connected with friend and producer Nic Nac [Chris Brown, Kevin Gates] who encouraged him to move down to L.A. Upon arriving in the City of Angels, he turned heads with the 2 More Words mixtape in 2015, boasting collaborations with the likes of Marc E. Bassy and lamSul. In addition to praise from XXL, Hypebeast dubbed it, "a fiery collection of songs balancing club-ready hooks with deft, incisive narratives." His grind paid off, and he inked a short-lived deal in 2017. A meeting with producer Cas inspired the next move.

Early demos caught the attention of Atlantic Records who signed him during 2019. His most recent singles with Atlantic Records, "Serve," "Birds In The Bando," "I'm 4Real" and "Big Homie (Feat. 2 Chainz)" chronicle some of the key experiences of his life, including his trapping lessons with his uncle. Now, with his highly-anticipated mixtape *Don't Run From R.A.P.* available now, Symba is making it known that he still lives for the hustle.

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