

Selections from
Aqua N' Baum is Broke as Hell*
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AQUANIESHA FOX

Monologue

I was supposed to go to University of Chicago. I wanted to get a degree in Negro... ok African American studies. I wanna talk bout some problems wit my people. Well ders problems will all peeopls because well dey peoples. Sometimes when I be reading the NY times it seem like de peeoples don't know dat dey jus peeoples. Like why everybody shocked dat ders an oil spill. of course ders a damn oil spill. dey let greedy motha fuckers dat don care bout notin but *dem selves* run game up in the Gulf of Mexico. and we all participated. now everybody wanna get angry ooooh all de dead birds...well too late. hope you enjoy yo drive home in yo Range Rover. ooo yo lipstick is real cute too. You watch sports? Don't make me git my list out!

I know so I don be havin no place to talk bout no body. I'm jus sittin at home jus as broke as everybody else.

So I work at a damn Chicken Shack... das broke

now I'm workin part time at Truman to pay fo classes... das shole nuf broke

but I don be feelin broke bout all that. I feels broke about peoples. I always end up wit de no good crazies. wheva I'm datin dem or not I gets swept up in some mess

My Aintie Emmetrina... she be telling me my picker be broken.

I jes don know how to get dat one un broke

You know I don't be thankin de world be knowin how to get it's picka unbroken eitha

**Aqua N Baum is Broke as Hell
at Chase Bank**

Aqua and Baum enter bank.

BAUM

Thanks for hepin me get some finances but why you trippin'
'bout Chase?

AQUA

I just don't think dis bank gon be understandin' where you
comin' from, plus
You know Chase Bank used da \$25 billion from da 2008
bailout to buy strugglin' banks rather than make loans fo
to small businesses and reg peoples.

Dey double they intrest rates eben to customers wit good
trak records.

In 2009 they raise the minimum montlee payment from 2
percent to 5 percent.

And das only part of the story ... I don be knowin' why mo'
peoples don't use Credit Unions...

(Aqua, speaking to Audience)

Do you hab a Chase card? You should cut that shit up and
get anova kind of credit card. They is robbin you blind.

BAUM

Daiiing Chase be a Gangsta Motha Fucka

(Yellin', then realizes that it's actually a rap)

Yo yo, these bitches betta give me some financial aid!!

Cuz I needs to get paid!

I'm gone master up some finance,

put you hoes in a motha fuckin trance!

AQUA

Look, I just wanna get in and get out.

BAUM

Don't be trippin'. We's goin' get Baum some money real fas,
den take care of some shit like my rap career blowin' up!!

AQUA

Well they shole not gone be freely givin you money actin like that!

BAUM

I don't know how to get money from these peoples! Gangsta to Gangsta Woof woof woof

(Pulls out a gun and points it at the banker)

Bitch you betta hep me get a loan like right now. I'm a famous rapper and I want to get mo' famous!

AQUA

Aww hell naw, where da fuck did you get that?

BAUM

Oh Truman theater dept prop closet

AQUA

That's It!! Now I'm gone drop you like a crack ho drops a job opportunity.

(Aqua to cameras and bank employees)

I jus want it to go on da record that I was jus tryin' to hep a young person get an education.

Now I'm goin' to jail ova a loan application!

Police arrive out of nowhere. They've got Aqua and Baum on the ground.

BAUM

Aqua Don't be mad I had to be true to my image

AQUA

Yeah I guess Credit Unions are just too user friendly for you.