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Anthony B 'Live at Reggae Rising' DVD out January 20th

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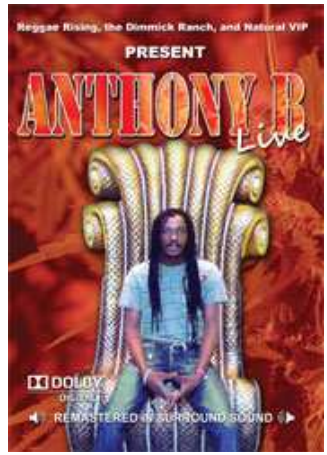
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The Real Revolutionary, the Dancehall King, the Spiritual Warrior... Anthony B presents a stunning performance at the 1st Annual Reggae Rising Music Festival in Humboldt County, California.

The performance is masterfully woven together with exclusive interview footage of Anthony discussing the topics of the songs with intimate revelations as to his message. It's a night concert set on the legendary California Redwood Forest, and was captured using 8 HD cameras, and 48 tracks of audio - which have been remastered into stunning Dolby 5.1 Surround Sound. The video is directed by Luke Archer, edited by Christopher Jenkins, and produced by Natural VIP. It is presented by Reggae Rising, the Dimmick Ranch, and Natural VIP.



Tracklist:

1. Hurt Mi Heart
2. God Above Everything
3. Fire Pon Rome
4. Row Mr. Fisherman
5. Trigger Happy Cowboys
6. Good Cop
7. Ain't No Stoppin' Us Now
8. Smoke Weed Every Day
9. Higher Meditation
10. Water Pumpee
11. Tease Her
12. Raid Di Barn
13. In Time Of Trouble

About Anthony B:

Draped in the rich colors of African cloth, his trademark staff in hand, and his dreadlocks wrapped regally on his head, Anthony B embodies all that it is spiritual and proactive about Reggae music. This artist has been steadfast in his mission to represent the poor and oppressed, using sharp lyrics to confront political injustices and bring the issues of the people to the forefront. In the process, he has raised the quality of performance standards and lyrical content for the industry, through the release of 10 albums, over 1000 singles and appearances on over 100 albums in the last 13 years.

Anthony B's musical journey started in the church, back when he was still called Keith Anthony Blair in Clarks Town, Trelawney. In this part of rural Jamaica, Anthony B was immersed in the thunderous chants and rhythms of Revivalism and the Seventh Day Adventist church where he honed his soon-to-be signature vocals. In his formative years, the artiste also cleaved to the music of Otis Redding and the incomparable Peter Tosh.

In 1992, Anthony B left his home-town and set out to make his fateful mark on Kingston's music scene. He rebuked the trend of girl and gun lyrics popular at that time and remained faithful to words of spiritual consciousness and social conviction. He started working with singer Little Devon, who introduced him to Richard Bell Bello, of Star Trail Records, producer for Garnet Silk and Everton Blender. Bell saw the talent of the youngster and shared his commitment to conscious music. The partnership produced a slew of records and releases, such as Repentance time, Fire pon Rome, One Thing, A De Man, Rumour and Raid DJ Barn. Anthony B followed up with critically acclaimed albums such as Real Revolutionary, Universal Struggle, Black Star and Untouchable. He also struck out on his own to produce 3 albums independently, started his own label, Born Fire Records, and released two collaboration albums: Too Strong with Sizzla, and

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Three Wise Men with Sizzla and Luciano.

Anthony B's lyrical genius and his captivating, energetic performance style have caused him to be heavily requested for performances in the Caribbean, North America, Europe and Africa. In 2003 and 2004, he was given a kings welcome in Gambia and Senegal. In 2004, he sold out shows in Switzerland, Austria, Sweden, Belgium, France, Italy and Germany; closing for such greats as Israel Vibration and Burning Spear. He also opened up new regions for reggae music through his performances in New Dehli, India and on France's Reunion Island, in the Indian Ocean.

His heavy touring schedule has not slowed Anthony B's stream of releases. Over the years, he has collaborated with Bone Crusher, Akon, Wyclef Jean, Snoop Dogg, R. Kelly, and, on his latest album, Martina.

Anthony B's rich vocals and audacious lyrics carry a depth and substance which is rare in the industry. Internationally, his fan-base has grown because he speaks about the universal concerns of suffering and salvation. The greatest thing about reggae music is that it's about concepts and ideas, says the artist, you are speaking to people on issues they live and can relate to.

Anthony B's latest hit singles "Mr. Controversy", "Suffering Man", "Condom", and "More Passa Passa" come from his highly-anticipated 10th album, The Suffering Man. In February 2007, Anthony released yet another album with Greensleeves Records. The album, Higher Meditation, continues Anthony's legacy as he proves himself to be one of Reggae's most prolific and engaging artists, an electrifying performer whose music grips the public social conscience.

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