



'Live at Reggae Rising,' Anthony B (Natural Video/MVD, HH)

This Feb. 24 DVD presents Jamaica's Anthony B at the First Annual Reggae Rising Music Festival in Humboldt County, Calif. This live performance is linked together with exclusive interview footage that helps the viewer understand lyrical motivation, and is set in the legendary California Redwood Forest using 8 HD cameras. Anthony B's nasal rap/singing invokes the names of Bob Marley, Haile Selassie, Marcus Garvey and others; but it's hard for me to enjoy . . . except when the reggae beat overpowers the irritation. If you enjoy "Dance Hall," don't miss this show.

- Ricky Flake