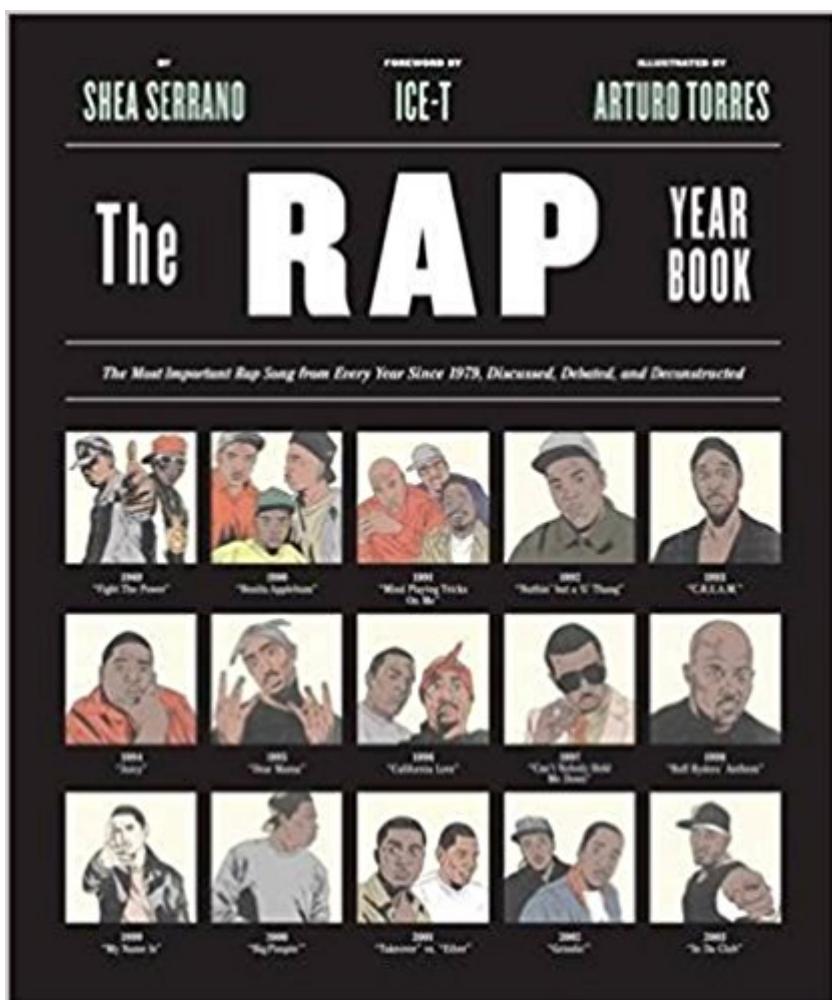


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# The Rap Year Book: The Most Important Rap Song From Every Year Since 1979, Discussed, Debated, And Deconstructed



## Synopsis

NOW BEING TURNED INTO A DOCUMENTARY TO BE AIRED ON AMC IN 2018.\*\*\*\*New York Times Best Seller\*\*\*\*\*Picked by Billboard as One of the 100 Greatest Music Books of All-Time\*\*\*\*\*Pitchfork Book Club's first selection\*\*\*\*.Here's what The Rap Year Book does: It takes readers from 1979, widely regarded as the moment rap became recognized as part of the cultural and musical landscape, and comes right up to the present, with Shea Serrano hilariously discussing, debating, and deconstructing the most important rap song year by year. Serrano also examines the most important moments that surround the history and culture of rap music--from artists' backgrounds to issues of race, the rise of hip-hop, and the struggles among its major players--both personal and professional. Covering East Coast and West Coast, famous rapper feuds, chart toppers, and show stoppers, The Rap Year Book is an in-depth look at the most influential genre of music to come out of the last generation. A Complete with infographics, lyric maps, uproarious and informative footnotes, portraits of the artists, and short essays by other prominent music writers, The Rap Year Book is both a narrative and illustrated guide to the most iconic and influential rap songs ever created. It's like the gold tank from Master P's "Make 'Em Say Uhh!" video, except it's a book. It's like Kanye's verse on "Put On," except it's a book. It's like the face Biggie made when he was on the boat with Puffy in "Hypnotize," except it's a book. A

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Shea Serrano is a New York Times best-selling author. Currently, he is a staff writer for The Ringer.

Don't trust a man who gives this less than 5 stars. He's probably the police.

TLDR: Funny and entertaining. Simple choice to pick up for you or a friend with its low price point. I have had this pre-ordered for months, and after a long wait it is everything I wanted and more. First off, this is an insane amount of entertainment for the price. It is filled with witty comments and real historical context. It has more than 200 pages of content that everyone can enjoy. Even Floyd Mayweather can have fun because the illustrations by Arturo Torres are incredible. See page 158 for an incredible version of 50 Cent as The Thing or Lil Wayne as a goblin on page 188. Shea's writing style is an easy read and is an entertaining "controlled chaos" with the use of footnotes to bring laughs is right out of the Bill Simmons playbook. It reads like a well-informed humorous and persuasive rant. Can't wait for Serrano's next project.

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Even though Shea doesn't use any punctuation when he tweets, this book is full of commas, periods, semi-colons and lots of other great non-punctuation-related things. Owning it is the only sure fire way to demonstrate that you can be trusted in a crisis.

that's a little something called quality writing

Let it be known that ShaunPG can be counted on in a crisis.

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