

# 8 BALL & MJG

RIDIN' HIGH lyrics by Scott Bejda



I can remember bumpin' these pimps back in '93 when I heard *Comin' Out Hard* and to see them still doing it today is amazing. Awhile back when I first heard that they got signed to "Bad Boy" I was happy to see them get a second wind in the game. I along with a lot of other fans thought the last album *Livin' Legends* could have been pushed a lot hard by the major label, but none the less it was good to see them get another plaque on the wall. The anticipation for this new album is ridiculous because everyone wants to see if Bad Boy will get behind these southern legends like they should and push their sales over the top. With so many hits constantly coming out of the south it is only right that pioneers like this get their props. I recently had a brief moment to chat with Eightball while he was on the set of a video shoot and got to get a few words from him. He seems very confident that this album will do real good and I hope he is right.

**Is the new album different from your last album?**

**8Ball:** Yeah I think the tracks on this album are a lot better. We kind of did a lot of our own thing. We stepped it up and we did it better on this album. Everything is top caliber and it is all us. We are on a major but we are still

"Eightball & MJG." I think the fans will love this album and won't be disappointed because we put a lot of work into it.

**What about guest features?**

We got Juvenile, Jazzy Pha, Bun-B, Killer Mike, Three 6 Mafia, Project Pat, Pimp-C, Slim Thug, and some more. We got a good supporting cast on here. We got cats on here but mainly it is me and MJG doing our thang.

**What is the name of the album?**

We are in between names right now but it might end up being *Ridin' High*. That is also the name of the first single. Really it is undecided right now, but like I said we got a few choices but it more than likely will be *Ridin' High*.

**You have been putting it down for year, so what keeps you doing this?**

We got a love for the music and we have been doing this for a long time. We got a lot of love for the fans who love our music and they always respond to anything that we go thru. We got a whole new crop of fans who are looking at us like we are brand new. We got a lot of fans who never heard Eightball & MJG until the last album came out but we still got our fans from over the years who have been down with us. We got the old heads and a whole new audience behind us.

**What did you think of Three 6 Mafia winning an Oscar?**

Man, that was beautiful! That was humungous and gigantic! It was good for Memphis and southern hip hop and especially as what they won it for because some people had shit to say about it being a pimp song but if you look at everything that wins it is usually shit that is interesting. If "Broke Back Mountain" wasn't about guys fucking each other it wouldn't have been what it was. It takes something different and something that stands out because that is what America wants. When ever something stands out or is a little bit different people are attracted to it. It was good to see them win the Oscar.

**This is your second album with Bad Boy, so how are things with Puffy?**

It is cool and things are going to be a lot better this time around. I think everything is going to work out real good.

**When is the album coming out?**

We are looking at July the 18th.

**Will you get more exposure this time around?**

Definitely because I think they know us better now and we fought enough to where thing will be better.

**Final thoughts?**

Check this album out because it is different and it is still us.