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SHE KEEPS ON PASSING ME GUYS

Pharcyde's Fatlip on: Mushrooms, Crystal Meth and Homosexuality

THE SUMMER OF 1993 WAS ALL about one thing. Well, a few things... high-volume hot knife sessions to energize the soccer circles with the speakers out the back window, shroom-induced late-night flying disc circles bumpin' beats out the beast, laying on the floor coming-down-off-somethin' pass-the-spliff and drift off to... all set to the soundtrack of the season. For every bizarre ride, we took to the Pharcyde.

After two brilliant albums with the Pharcyde, *Bizarre Ride II* and *Labcabin-california*, Derrick Stewart (a/k/a Fatlip) either bounced or was kicked out the group, depending on what vine you're getting your grapes from. He appeared recently on Sway and Tech's "Wake Up Show" and, mid-freestyle, stopped rhyming and said "I can't do it anymore. It's over. I fell off". Despite this excruciating testimonial and other signs of not-on-pointedness, Fatlip is on the verge

of making a rare rap comeback. After spending the last two or three years "just chillin' in the hills," the F the A the T the L the I the P has returned with a Spike Jonze-directed video, "What's Up Fatlip?"; a ridiculously self-deprecating

hop blues song. I'm just letting it be known, writing down some things that I was feeling. It felt good when I did it, just to get it out there. I don't wanna depress nobody, but that shit's life right there for me.

THERE'S SOMEBODY IN THE BACK OF THEY MIND THINKING THAT I'M GAY OR I'M JUST A BITCH-ASS NIGGER

single in which he addresses all the rumors (don't front, you heard them too). The single itself, with the "Gold Mine" b-side is smokin'. *VICE* caught up with him in LA and chopped it up with the man who "won't do a show for no less than... 50 dollars" about music, drugs, breakfast, homos and white girls.

VICE: What's up Fatlip? That song is depressing.
Fatlip: I didn't mean to do that, I don't wanna make people sad. That's my hip

What's up with the crack thing?
I don't know, you tell me.
I like to smoke crack, I heard you did too.
Nah, I don't fuck with it. I never have, never will. I started sniffing coke for like a year and I was bragging about it. People wanna just add things on to shit, I guess it just evolved to crack. But nah, I never actually smoked crack. I was close to cookin' up the coke one day, but then I was like fuck it. I came to one realiza-

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