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## Drag - On breaks out on his own

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## Drag-On

Ruff Ryders/Interscope Records is set to release their next artist poised to leave an indelible imprint upon the hip-hop consciousness, 19 year old rapper Drag-On.

Drag-on heated up the charts with the hit single Down Bottom" off the double platinum compilation album Ryde or Die vol. 1. Drag-On's solo debut entitled Opposite of H20 drope January 2000. In addition to h i appearances on Eve's Ruff

Ryde or Die Vol. 1 and his work on DMX's two multiplatinum albums, Drag has scorched DJ clue's The Professional (Gold), the Belly Soundtrack (Gold), Harlem Worlds The Movement (Gold) and the recently tri-regional compilation Turf Stories.

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Lox.

A Complete Service Salon With A ... Bars", the semi-bounce track "What's It All About". The uptempo track definitely to have heads bopping entitled "Come On", "Everday is the same day" and Call: "WCW" yet another head banger where Drag pares off with label 288-6530 mates EVE and Jadakiss of The 305 M.E. 9 Vygant, Portland, Ore. 9721 John Tae's Imported

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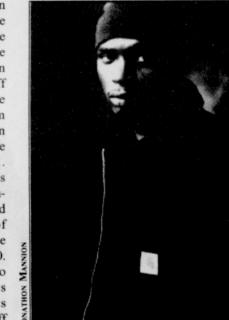
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