

1) Yes, I saw the movie - or film if that's better - before it was released. I have to admit that it was "weird" to see myself from an outside perspective; I was more critical than anything, but I think that that's just the person I was at that time, so that's cool.

Yeah, Jurad and I were tripping out on how many times we came out shaking hands, haha, we thought that was funny.

If I learned one thing about myself I'd say it is that the camera loves me, haha, just kidding.

2) I find screenwriting and filmmaking very interesting, specially for the power you can have of telling a story and raising awareness about certain topics. Of course, I would like to participate in activities like those, even though I'm incarcerated. Other stories I'd like to tell... I look around at the people around me and I see great stories of personal achievements or overcoming struggles. Also, the story of my family, specially my mom's.

3) I don't want to say the law is unfair, but rather the people

passing certain laws are quick to make decisions - like throwing you in prison and throwing away the key - without even giving you a chance (sometimes). And, I understand they're just trying to keep the peace in the communities, which is real good, but I do feel that our youth has so much more potential and should be dealt with differently.

4) Oh yeah, we are allow to watch T.V.; we can have our own in the cell. The prison has a channel in which they play some of the new movies coming out out there, so we watch about everything and anything that tells a good story. I don't usually watch T.V. shows like that, but I do like the Big Ban Theory, the X-Files, American Ninja Warrior and I catch them from time to time. That anything has inspired me to do my own film.. Not really; I haven't put that much thought into it.

5) Man, there's ~~so~~ many things the audience don't get to see, specially the fact that I'm grown now. I'm not that 17 or 18 year old boy.

anymore. I'm guessing people probably think we're still in the same mindset, and doing the same stuff. I can't think of anything specific I'd like to tell the audience, other than I'm grateful so many people have embraced our story and join the prison reform movement (one way or the other). I appreciate the support and open-mindedness.

Sincerely,

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