

# Going Back to Brooklyn

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Some of my favorite people of all time, are from Brooklyn  
Jay-Z, Spike Lee, my Uncle Joel, Mel Brooks  
The Beastie Boys, Lou Reed, ODB  
Now - I'm not from Brooklyn but, this is my story

Once upon a time in the Bay, there was nothing left to say  
So I had to get away  
I'd been sittin all up in Duboce Park with Lamar on my mind  
Like Alistair Grey, feeling strangely fine  
Twenty-six years old, at a crossroads  
Was it time for grad school, or time for more shows?  
Time to rock my thesis, or write more songs?  
Time to call it quits when I'd been doin this so long?  
I couldn't decide, so I made an EP  
with a rapper named K. Flay that opened for me  
I helped her get discovered and on tour with #OH!3  
I heard she got a deal, I read it in AP  
I bought the Jay-Z book "Decoded" and I noticed something funny  
You've got to grind and hustle if you want to make that money  
I met a girl with purple hair, a Puget Sound grad  
Fell head over heels, life wasn't that bad!

I'm going (going) back (back) to Brooklyn - DJ Premier!  
I'm going (going) back (back) to Brooklyn - the RZA, the GZA!  
I'm going (going) back (back) to Brooklyn - Woody Allen whattup?  
I'm going (going) back (back) to Brooklyn - Jimmy Fallon yo you're killin it  
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I went to Europe, with Zebrahead  
Ed played rums on my set and it sounded so sick  
Knew I had to get back in the game, stop sleepin on my craft  
and bring that fire back quick  
I made some comments in the press, that got some kids upset  
on white rappers that were taken out of context  
But Sage Francis had my back and I don't regret a thing I said  
I was just bein honest  
So I got lost and rode my bike around Lake Merritt  
I found a safe routine, but yo I couldn't bare it  
Every day was exactly the same like NIN  
My upper playground hoodie, was starting to wear thin  
That's a metaphor - the Bay was played out  
My inspiration was gone like a cerebral drought  
So I, got running, and moved back East  
Built a studio in Greenpoint, and made a bunch of beats

Now I could be enlightened, or I could be in love  
Or I could be confused, or I could be on drugs  
Or this Buddha in my pocket, might just have been a sign  
that everything was back on track and everything was fine

I'm going (going) back (back) to Brooklyn - Jerry Seinfeld you're paid  
I'm going (going) back (back) to Brooklyn - Mike Tyson c'mon!  
I'm going (going) back (back) to Brooklyn - Eddie Murphy, Charlie Murphy I s  
ee you  
I'm going (going) back (back) to Brooklyn - Biggie, respect...