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## Jay-Z closes out 8 night stand at Barclays Center with Beyonce

Tonight, Jay-Z played his last of 8 shows at Barclays Center, located about 2 miles from the Marcy Projects, where the world famous rapper grew up. Backed by a full band nicknamed the "Roc Boys", he put on a show full of his greatest hits and deep tracks including "Empire State of Mind", "99 Problems", "Hard Knock Life (Ghetto Anthem)", "Dirt Off Your Shoulder", "Dead Presidents II", "What More Can I Say?", "Can I Live", "Encore" and of course "Brooklyn Go Hard."

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Jay-Z YouTube Livestream

## via YouTube livestream

Opening the show with a slideshow of historic Brooklyn happenings, from the birth of the borough to the birth of Beastie Boys' Adam "MCA" Yauch, Jay-Z paid tribute to another favorite son of Brooklyn by announcing that Brooklyn Dodger Jackie Robinson's wife Rachel, now 90 yrs old, was in attendance. He also took time to honor his fallen friend, Notorious B.I.G., also a Brooklyn native, by playing B.I.G.'s classic hits "Juicy" and "Kick In The Door" over the loud speakers for the crowd.

Not surprisingly, but still a treat for anyone in attendance, his wife <a href="Beyonce">Beyonce</a> made an appearance during the show. After he performed a quick bit of their duet "'03 Bonnie & Clyde", Beyonce emerged

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from the shadows with her backup dancers. Sporting shades, a black leather leotard and a Nets hat to match her husband's Nets gear (Jay-Z is part owner of the team), she performed "Diva" and "Crazy in Love" to screaming fans.

Before finishing the night with "Young Forever", which saw Beyonce re-join him on stage to sing the chorus, Jay-Z left the crowd with some inspiring words: "I believe everybody on the planet earth has genius level talent. We just have to find out what we're genius at."

To view a slideshow of photos from tonight's livestream (which was via his personal YouTube <u>channel</u>), click here. You can follow me on Twitter at <u>@ConcertExaminer</u>.

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