

Mike Tyson Denied Visa To Enter New Zealand

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Sometimes it seems as if Mike Tyson's redemption tour is complete, that he has done the emotional and spiritual reconstruction to the extent that his misdeeds are now seen as merely the missteps of a wayward youth...a time period which perhaps lasted a decade or two longer than the average tenure as a teen troublemaker. And then every now and again something happens to remind us that the introspective vegan who seems to have learned his lesson, and seen the spiritual light, was once the Baddest Man on the Planet, in more ways than one.

On Tuesday, word came out that New Zealand has denied Tyson, age 46, an entry visa. He was due to speak at a charitable event, but his 1992 conviction for rape made him ineligible to step foot on the island nation in the southwest Pacific Ocean.

Tyson has a bond with New Zealand, quite literally, in that the facial tattoo he took on in 2003 is a Maori design. Polynesians settled in NZ hundreds of years ago, and had to contend with a colder, harsher climate than they'd been accustomed to. It has been awhile since Mr. Tyson, who had a triumphant run at the end of summer doing his one-man show on Broadway, has had to contend with ramifications from his dark past. Sometimes, of one's past, you can run, or hide, or embrace it, even...but sometimes, despite your best defense, or offense, it comes back to bite you.

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Thanks lol

brownsugar says:

New Zealands' power brokers revoked Tysons visa because Tyson literally shat on a live public conference call by dropping the "F" Bomb on the so-called tender sensibilities and eardrums of the New Zealand population. (Mikes brief tirade could not be edited).

I've had the pleasure of visiting NZ during Pac Tour during my navy days,.... and to me NZ seemed like a mixed bag.

Liberals and conservative,..... Euros and Brittish folk,.... mixed in with the more staid and traditional decendants of the Moari's who are now more or less "many generations removed" from their cannabalistic past. A place where Political conservatism strikes a stunning contrast when compared to how people really live there.

NZ's political hierarchy must have felt they had to deny Tyson's entry in order to save face.

The Ironic thing about the whole situation is that Tyson's show is basically a confessional performed by Mike as he gives an upclose and personal testimony about the deepest and most intimate details about his former-not-so-legal-life.

His show offers a lot more shocking details than his rape conviction... and they were going to pay him handsomely for that.

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It seems hypocritical that the authorities can tolerate the sometime lewd and graphic content of Mikes show, but want to distance themselves from Tyson the man..... Mike Tyson cursing on a live broadcast is called Capitolism in America.

The promoter from NZ is still determined that the Show must go on... and is supposedly still selling tickets.

eventually, the Law of "supply and demand" will be satisfied.