

particular fan himself.

Maxwell's own research was on hip-hop in Sydney. He was not a

Why: he felt it could only be understood by analysing its context,

not its formal properties.

The curse of fandom: he is often still assumed to be a rapper

How: reading, listening, and approaching fans.

himself.

If he were a rapper, would it subvert or deepen the curse?

academic.

Maxwell spoke on a panel at a hip-hop conference, framed as

legitimate themselves...

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the purity of their art.

Is it the study of music by those who are fans of it that causes

But it became clear that the attendees were using this framing to

...and really wanted to discuss how to authenticate and preserve