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Toure Neblett is an author, cultural critic, music journalist, and television personality best known as co-host of MSNBC's *The Cycle*. Prior to his role at MSNBC, Neblett was CNN's pop culture correspondent and hosted an interview series called *On the Record* on Fuse. His 25 years of experience interviewing and writing about hip hop has made him one of the best-known and well-respected journalists of the genre. For over a decade, he wrote for *Rolling Stone*, where he published cover stories on Snoop Dogg, Jay-Z, DMX, Lauryn Hill, 50 Cent, Migos, and others. Neblett also worked with KRS-One, Nas, and Rakim on their autobiographies. He wrote the definitive Prince biography, *I Would Die 4 You: Why Prince became an Icon*. He has more credibility within the hip hop community than any other media figure.

Toure is also the author of *Who's Afraid of Post-Blackness?* which was named one of the Most Notable Books of 2011 by the *New York Times* and the *Washington Post*. His writing has also appeared in the *New York Times*, the *New Yorker*, *The Source*, and more.

Toure's current podcast "Touré Show" is a chart-topping podcast where he has interviewed Morgan Freeman, Rihanna, Kareem Abdul Jabbar, Susan Rice and others.

He lives in Fort Greene, Brooklyn with his wife and two children.