



AFTER BURNER

If New York

City's won its war on graffiti, someone forgot to tell Cope2. Take a ride on the Number 4 train through the Bronx—more rooftops than not bear his name. His lawbreaking new video, *Cope2 Kings Destroy* (Abstract Video Inc., 516-781-8701) is the closest you can get to actual bombing without risking a felony.

Cope racks inside a paint store, slips into the yard to paint a live train and bombs the streets without fear. "Straight up, I got nothing but love for this art form," says Cope. "Hitting trains is something that brings me back to the old days—I'll never let go." In an era where many writers may have accepted using store-bought paint to do strictly permission spots, Cope ain't havin' it.

Cope2 Kings Destroy also documents Cope's impressive evolution as an artist. The video shows everything from his wacky early train pieces to the current lettering styles that make Cope a welcome guest when crews like TNB and FC get busy on big productions. And there's more: words from Kase2, SEEN, T, Kid, Play, Rakim, Flavor Flav, Fat Joe (who used to bomb with Cope) and KRS-One.

"The only thing I haven't done yet is quit, and that time is coming soon," says Cope, 30. When the cops see *Cope2 Kings Destroy*, he may have no choice. **J.SON**



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