

The Peale, Baltimore

Out of the Blocks Storytelling Series

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Chop ([00:01](#)):

The hardest thing doing is trying to survive, stay alive, for real. That's all. You stay in your lane. Be who you is. You can't act like you something that you're not. That's how you end up short. It's Chop [inaudible 00:00:15] the 4600, 4700, 4800 block of Gwynn Oak. Been around here all my life, born and raised. If you know Gwynn Oak, you know me. It's our community, and we try to protect people from the police because the police, they be harassing people more than the citizens in the community. The police really be the ones putting their foot-