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Artur Menezes - Living in the United States since 2016 in Los Angeles, California, guitarist, singer and songwriter Artur Menezes has been leaving his mark on the worldwide Blues Rock scene. His psychedelic, heavy and groovy style, mixed with his northeastern Brazilian roots, add a unique flavor to the mix and further distinguish his playing from that of his contemporaries. In January, Artur was nominated by Guitar Player USA in the "21 Best New Blues Guitarists", being the only Brazilian on the list. In 2023 Artur releases his new album "AM/FM" through the Round Hill Records label, in addition to tours in Europe, the United States and Brazil. For 2024, a tour is planned for Brazil in the months of May and June and in Europe in the months of March and August.

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Em 2020, Artur Menezes lançou o disco "Fading Away" pelo selo Vizztone, produzido por Josh Smith e com participação especial de Joe Bonamassa. "Fading

Away” foi Top 20 Albums of 2020 na Blues Rock Review.

Lançou em 2019 o single “Fight for your love” e com seu álbum “Keep Pushing”, recebeu excelentes críticas em vários países, inclusive fazendo parte da lista dos melhores álbuns de 2018 no site de Joe Bonamassa.

Artur foi uma das atrações do Doheny Blues Festival (um dos maiores festivais de blues do EUA), gravou para o projeto “Jam In The Van” e participou do festival de blues no cruzeiro “Keeping The Blues Alive at Sea” promovido por Joe Bonamassa, foi contratado para ser professor no Musicians Institute – uma das mais conceituadas escolas de música nos EUA – gravou vídeos oficiais da Gibson para os novos modelos de guitarra de 2019, esteve em turnê com a banda Blues Beatles no

Texas e na Flórida e dividiu o palco com grandes nomes do blues como Chris Cain, Guy King, Lance Lopez and Larry McCray.

Ganhador do concurso promovido pela Ernie Ball Music Man, Artur Menezes fez show no Crossroads Guitar Festival 2019, promovido por Eric Clapton. Também é o melhor guitarrista pela Blues Foundation em 2018, com o prêmio Gibson/Albert King, Artur Menezes vem trilhando sua carreira nos Estados Unidos.

Artur foi headline do “Augustibluus Festival” (Estônia), fez shows na Inglaterra, México e Argentina.

No Brasil, participou do Samsung Best Of Blues Festival no Brasil, dividindo o palco com Joe Satriani para um público de mais de 20 mil pessoas, fez os shows de abertura no RJ e em SP na última turnê de Buddy Guy no Brasil, foi headline de inúmeros festivais de jazz e blues no Brasil, tais como: “Rio das Ostras Jazz & Blues Festival” (RJ), “Manguinhos Jazz & Blues” (ES), “Garanhuns Jazz Festival” (PE), “Festival de Jazz & Blues de Guaramiranga” (CE), “Lençóis Jazz & Blues Festival” (MA), “Festival SESC Jazz & Blues” “Festival Blues de Londrina” (PR), dentre outros.

Com 6 discos e 1 EP lançados, Artur tem vem fincando sua marca no cenário blues rock mundial.

Artur Menezes não só toca guitarra, mas canta e compõe. Seus 4 últimos discos são compostos de músicas autorais.

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Artur Menezes has made serious waves in the blues community ever since he released his debut album in 2010. His playing is a distinctive blend of fiery, hard-rocking blues that at times borders on shred, combined with an ability to effortlessly switch gears into swinging, jazz grooves.

His Brazilian roots add a unique flavor to the mix and further distinguish his playing from that of his contemporaries. Menezes' songwriting sparkles as it switches between straight-ahead blues and funk-flavored workouts, and his vocals channel the deep emotional content of his songs as effectively as his guitar playing.

Fading Away, Menezes' latest album (produced by Josh Smith and featuring a guest appearance from Joe Bonamassa), was a serious step up in both writing and playing. Its arrival laid down a clear marker for his place among the front-runners of the new breed of blues guitar heroes." (GuitarPlayer Magazine Top 25 Best New Blues Guitarists 2023).

Based in Los Angeles, Artur released a new EP with Black Hill Records. He has toured Europe, US, and Brazil in 2023. When not touring, he also teaches guitar at the Musicians Institute in Hollywood, CA.

2023 Artur lançou "AM/FM" pelo selo Round Hill Records, além de turnês na Europa, Estados Unidos e Brasil.

His previous album "Fading Away" (2020) was released through VizzTone Label Group. The album features Joe Bonamassa and it was produced by Josh Smith.

Recently, Artur was one of the headlines of the Best Of Blues and Rock Festival in Brazil alongside Buddy Guy, Steve Vai and others.

In 2022 and 2021, Artur was touring Europe and South America, playing Festivals and Clubs in Germany, France, Ireland, Belgium, Portugal, Poland, Romania and Estonia.

In 2019, Artur performed at the Eric Clapton's Crossroads Guitar Festival after winning the Grand Prize in a contest promoted by Ernie Ball.

He also won Gibson/Albert King Award for Best Guitarist by the Blues Foundation and scored 3rd place at the 2018 International Blues Challenge in Memphis.

In 2020, Artur Menezes got his Green Card granted by the US based on his recognition and efforts on promoting the Blues.

In the US, he played at Doheny Blues Festival (biggest blues festival in California); regularly plays at the world famous The Baked Potato Jazz Club and headline at Cadillac Zack Presents the Blues in Southern California; headlined the Walla Walla Guitar Festival in Washington; played clubs in Florida, Texas and Tennessee.

In 2017, Artur shared the stage with Joe Satriani in a festival in Brazil for a 20 thousand people audience.

7 years ago, when he was still living in Brazil, Artur was the headline of numerous festivals. In 2014, headlined at Augustibluus Festival in Estonia and played clubs in the UK. In 2015, he toured twice in Mexico and in 2013 in Argentina.

In 2012, Artur played the opening shows for Buddy Guy in his South American tour in Brazil.

As an educator, Artur teaches guitar at the Musicians Institute in Hollywood, CA and

has online courses and masterclasses with TrueFire, JamPlay, JTC and Pickup Music.

Concerned about disseminating and expanding access to blues in Brazil, Artur was one of the founders of the society "Casa do Blues" (House Of Blues), which promotes weekly shows with free admissions, workshops and lectures about the Blues. He remained on the board of the project until early 2013.

Artur was a speaker at TEDx,, an annual event licensed by TED (Technology, Entertainment, Design) in 2013, where personalities share their experiences and knowledge in presentations broadcast live on the Internet and later released on video, the TEDTalks accessible to billions of people worldwide.

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