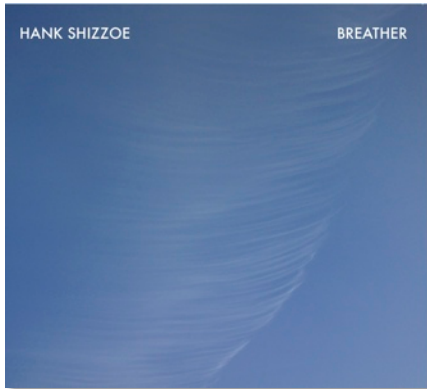




HANK SHIZZOE - BIOGRAPHY



Hank Shizzoe was born in 1966 in central Europe. One day he found a guitar and learned how to play it. After some time words came to his mind so he decided to sing them. Simultaneously. He now owns several guitars. That is why he has also written a lot of songs. Together with his band he has performed these songs in more than 800 concerts for lots of people in Europe and the United States of America. Since 1994 he has released eight studio albums and two live 2CD-sets. Hank Shizzoe lives in Berne. He likes cats, mountains, pasta, motorcycles, the sea, deserts, the woods, the far north, polite and witty human beings and all kinds of sweets.



«Those who care about these things have been knowing for a long time that Hank Shizzoe is the best roots-rock songwriter and guitar player who's not hailing from the US. And that he would still be one of the best even if he came from the Promised Land.»

DISCOGRAPHY

- 1994 **Low Budget**
CD
- 1996 **Walk**
CD
- 1998 **Plenty Of Time**
CD / 2 LP
- 2001 **Hank Shizzoe**
CD / 2 LP
- 2003 **In Concert with
Sonny Landreth**
2 CD
- 2005 **Out And About**
CD
- 2006 **Why Don't You
Love Me?**
CD
- 2007 **Headlines**
CD / 2 LP
- 2008 **Of Mice And
Men**
CD
- 2009 **Live In Motown**
2 CD + DVD
- 2010 **Breather**
CD/LP

MUSICIAN. SINGER. WRITER. PRODUCER. ALMOST AN ACTOR

Hank Shizzoe played with Ali Farka Touré (Mali), Sonny Landreth, David Lindley (USA), The Nits (NL), Polo Hofer, Hanery Amman, Kuno Lauener, Max Laesser, Toni Vescoli. He produced CDs for Claudia Bettingaglio, The Moondog Show and Christine Lauterburg. Support shows for ZZ Top, Bo Diddley, Flaco Jimenez, Little Charlie & The Nightcats, Charlie Musselwhite.

During summer 2008 Hank gave his acting debut in the role of the drifter Whit in John Steinbeck's "Of Mice And Men" in Berne. The soundtrack is available on CD. In summer 2009 Hank Shizzoe appeared as actor and musician in Edward Albees "Zoo Story" at Berne's Kocherpark.

Current projects with other artists: Concerts with Mudphish (Bettingaglio/Pedrazzi), Christine Lauterburg & AËROPE, Markus Maria Enggist and Toni Vescoli. Duo-project with Julian Dawson (UK).

An archive CD featuring outtakes, demos and field recordings 1990–2002 will be released with a compilation album in 2010.

The 2CD+DVD-set *Hank Shizzoe & The Directors: Live In Motown* was released April 24th 2009 on Blue Rose Records. On entire concert, no overdubs, no cheating, recorded in January 2008 at the Laboratorium in Stuttgart, Germany.

The new album **Breather** is out on February 5th 2010 on Blue Rose Records. Formats: CD/LP. It features eight original compositions and four covers, among them Adriano Celentano's "Svalutation" and Jacques Dutronc's "Et moi, et moi, et moi." Michel Poffet, Christoph Beck and Shirley Grimes appear. Expect some deep slide guitar playing, cool songs and a voice that keeps getting better.

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