

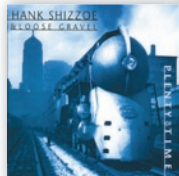
HANK SHIZZOE BIOGRAPHY



«LOW BUDGET»
CD
1994



«WALK»
CD
1996



«PLENTY OF TIME»
CD/LP
1998



«HANK SHIZZOE»
CD/LP
2001



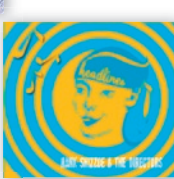
«IN CONCERT»
Live with Sonny Landreth
2 CD
2003



«OUT AND ABOUT»
CD
2005



«WHY DON'T YOU LOVE ME?»
- A Hank Williams Songbook with Claudia Bettinaglio,
CD, 2006



«HEADLINES»
CD/LP
2007



«OF MICE AND MEN»
CD, 2008

Hank Shizzoe was born smack dab in the middle of Europe in 1966. 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 played these songs in more than 750 concerts for lots of people in Europe and the US. Since 1994 he has released six studio albums and one live 2CD-set. Hank Shizzoe lives in Berne. He likes cats, mountains, pasta, motorcycles, the sea, deserts, the jungle, polite and impudent human beings and all kinds of sweets.



«Rolling Stone» on Hank Shizzoe:

«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.»

Rolling Stone

Writer, singer, guitar player, producer, actor

Live on stage Hank played with *Ali Farka Touré & Asco* (Mali), *David Lindley & Wally Ingram* (USA), *The Nits* (NL), *Sonny Landreth* (USA).

With renowned swiss guitarist *Max Laesser* Hank played three extensive duo-tours and guests on the CD «Überland» and on the Live-DVD by Max Laessers Überlandorchester.

Hank produced the albums «Far Beyond» und «Bonne Espérance» for *The Moondog Show*. He also plays lap steel and guitar on the album «Marfa» (2007).

Hank has been working with singer *Claudia Bettinaglio* for many years. He also produced her second album «sometimes...» (2003). In 2006 Hank Shizzoe & Claudia Bettinaglio released «Why Don't You Love Me? - A Hank Williams Songbook», a duet album far, far away from country & western.

2000 - 2005 collaborations with swiss national rock monument *Polo Hofer*. Several tours with The Alpinistos: Polo Hofer, Hanery Amman, Hank Shizzoe, Michel Poffet, Andi Pupato. The DVD «bundesplatz '04 live!», was recorded in front of 30'000 spectators in Berne and can be ordered through the website www.thealpinistos.ch. Hofer and Amman guest on the album «Out And About» (2005).

2002 Soundtrack for the spoken word CD «Huckleberry Finn», Radio SWR Baden Baden.
2007 production and music for the poetry CD «Wo Gott hockt» by author *E.Y. Meyer*.

2008 release of and touring behind «AËROPE», the new CD by the fabulous singer *Christine Lauterburg*. Hank produces and plays guitar, lap steel, bouzouki and ukulele. Hank also plays on «Sweet Rain», the new album by irish singer *Shirley Grimes*. A live CD and DVD set of a show by Hank Shizzoe & The Directors recorded in January 2008 will be released in October on Blue Rose.

Hank Shizzoe and Christoph Beck have been playing for many years in *Toni Vescoli's* band.

In summer 2008 Hank Shizzoe makes his acting debut in John Steinbeck's «Of Mice And Men» at the open air Theatre Gurten in Berne. He plays the character Whit and performs on guitar and banjo. The soundtrack is available on CD.

With his band Hank Shizzoe played support-shows for *ZZ TOP*, *David Lindley*, *Bo Diddley*, *Charlie Musselwhite*, *Luther Allison*, *Robben Ford*, *Paul Rodgers*, *Flaco Jimenez*, *Rodney Crowell*, *Louisiana Red* and *Little Charlie & The Nightcats*.

«Headlines» is available on CD (Digipack) and on double-LP on 180g Vinyl in a gatefold sleeve on **Blue Rose Records, Rauheckstrasse 10, D-74232 Abstatt, Germany; tel +49-7062-955 444; www.bluerose-records.com**

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