

BIOGRAPHY

Jason Blake is a Warr guitarist from Chicago, Illinois. The Warr Guitar is a twelve-string instrument incorporating the range of a guitar and bass. It is played by tapping the strings, a technique known as touchstyle guitar.

Blake plays with his band, Aziola Cry, a progressive metal trio consisting of Warr guitar, guitar, and drums. Their latest album, *The Ironic Divide* was released in 2021 on Sensory Records and was named "Instrumental Progressive Metal Album of the Year" by Sonic Perspectives.

Blake's recent release under his own name is the instrumental progressive rock tour de force, *Subsequent Ruins*. Accompanied by drummer Marco Minnemann, the album is a modern retelling of *The Pied Piper* with technology and specifically screens playing the lead role and features the Warr guitar as the sole melodic instrument. The album was released on Trey Gunn's 7D Media label.

REVIEWS

"Warr guitarist Jason Blake and drummer Marco Minnemann make a formidable duo." - Sea of Tranquility

"Beautifully sculptured, wholly embodied, magnificently organic new album." - *Anne Carlini*

"Engaging, unpredictable, instrumental exploration of an incredibly diverse sounding instrument delivered with impeccable precision." - *The Progspace*

SELECTED DISCOGRAPHY

Subsequent Ruins [2023], The Compromise Rationale [2022], Imaginary Cages [2022], Fictional Mirrors [2021], Aziola Cry - The Ironic Divide [2021]

PHOTOS







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Subsequent Ruins (released March 17, 2023)

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