

Joe Bonamassa Releases Breakthrough, His 'Most Propulsive, Striking' Album Yet

New Studio LP Out Today Alongside Reflective Single "Broken Record" as Tour Momentum Builds Across U.S. and Europe

LOS ANGELES, CA, UNITED STATES, July 18, 2025 /EINPresswire.com/ -- Blues-rock powerhouse Joe Bonamassa has officially released his brand-new studio album, *Breakthrough*, out today via J&R Adventures. His 17th studio album is his most stylistically diverse and emotionally resonant effort to date. The 10-track LP spans genre and geography, blending global influences with deeply personal songwriting and, of course, Bonamassa's signature guitar mastery. [WATCH](#) the official music video for "Broken Record". [STREAM](#) the album *Breakthrough* on all platforms. [Order](#) the album on CD and vinyl.

To coincide with the album launch, Bonamassa has also released the record's latest single, "Broken Record" – a haunting, slow-burning meditation on resilience, reflection, and the emotional weight of long roads traveled. With its brooding arrangement and introspective lyrics, the track reveals another side of Bonamassa's ever-evolving artistry: "I've been lost in the wilderness / For too long, too long / Singing the same old song."

Produced by longtime collaborator Kevin Shirley (Iron Maiden, Journey, The Black Crowes), *Breakthrough* was recorded across Los Angeles, Nashville, and Greece. It captures Bonamassa at his most fearless, venturing beyond his blues roots and leaning fully into a wide-open palette of sound and story. From Texas swing and singer-songwriter intimacy to swaggering rock and funky soul, the album brings together everything he's honed over more than 50 releases.

Early reviews for *Breakthrough* have been overwhelmingly positive, with critics praising both its artistic range and emotional depth. Premier Guitar featured Bonamassa on its cover and called *Breakthrough* a "full-hearted essay in expressive playing and singing," noting the album's balance



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between “hard-edged, riff-driven” rock and “classic soul-pop.” Blues Rock Review awarded it 9.5/10 stars, calling it “an amazing record that promises to become a classic” and highlighting its “immaculate collection of timeless music.” Cryptic Rock called it “a decisive, intentional, forward-looking statement” and praised its “richly diverse sound.” At the same time, Rock and Blues Muse hailed it as “another keeper” and “one of Bonamassa’s finest.”

“Broken Record” follows a series of well-received singles that offered a preview of the album’s dynamic range. The title track “Breakthrough” is a soulful, anthemic statement about transformation and letting go. “Shake This Ground” took a moodier, more introspective turn, while “Still Walking With Me” delivered a warm, reflective groove rooted in gratitude. Most recently, “Trigger Finger” turned up the volume with fiery guitar work and a fierce, forward-driving attitude. Across the board, Breakthrough is being recognized as a defining statement from an artist still expanding his reach nearly four decades into his career.

The album release arrives as Bonamassa prepares to play the final two shows of his European summer tour, kicking off tonight in Pordenone, Italy, followed by a performance in Rome. He’ll then return to the U.S. for a string of amphitheater dates, including headlining performances at The Greek Theatre in Los Angeles (July 31), Red Rocks Amphitheatre (August 8), and the Bourbon & Beyond Festival (September 12). In September, Bonamassa will set sail on the sold-out Keeping the Blues Alive at Sea cruise to Alaska before launching into a full U.S. fall tour through the end of the year. He’ll also headline two major experiences in 2026: Keeping the Blues Alive at Sea XI and the first-ever Sound Wave Beach Weekend, which completely sold out during the presale – further proof of Bonamassa’s unmatched connection with fans and his continued momentum as one of the most in-demand live performers in modern blues and rock.

For more on Breakthrough, VIP tour packages, and ticket info, visit www.jbonamassa.com.

JOE BONAMASSA - TOUR SCHEDULE

EUROPE SUMMER TOUR 2025

July 18 – Pordenone, IT – San Valentino Park

July 19 – Rome, IT – Auditorium Parco della Musica - Cavea

U.S. SUMMER TOUR 2025

July 31 – Los Angeles, CA – The Greek Theatre

August 1 – Paso Robles, CA – Vina Robles Amphitheatre

August 3 – Bend, OR – Hayden Homes Amphitheater

August 5 – Airway Heights, WA – BECU Live at Northern Quest

August 6 – Pocatello, ID – Portneuf Health Trust Amphitheatre

August 8 – Morrison, CO – Red Rocks Amphitheatre

August 9 – Albuquerque, NM – Sandia Resort & Casino Amphitheater

SEPTEMBER 2025

September 7 – Chicago, IL – United Center*
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September 12 – Louisville, KY – Bourbon & Beyond Festival
September 13 – Vienna, VA – Wolf Trap
September 15-21, 2025 – Seattle, WA – Keeping The Blues Alive at Sea ALASKA

*Supporting The Who

U.S. FALL TOUR 2025

November 3 – Columbus, OH – Palace Theatre
November 5 – Toronto, ON – The Theatre at Great Canadian Toronto
November 7 – Detroit, MI – Fox Theatre
November 8 – Fort Wayne, IN – Embassy Theatre
November 10 – Rockford, IL – Coronado Theatre
November 11 – Kansas City, MO – The Midland Theatre
November 14 – Durant, OK – Choctaw Grand Theater
November 15 – Houston, TX – The Hobby Center
November 18 – Corpus Christi, TX – American Bank Center Selena Auditorium
November 19 – Abilene, TX – Abilene Auditorium
November 21 – Midland, TX – Wagner Noël Performing Arts Center
November 22 – Austin, TX – ACL Live at The Moody Theater
November 23 – Shreveport, LA – Shreveport Municipal Auditorium
November 25 – Fayetteville, AR – Walton Arts Center
November 26 – St. Louis, MO – Stifel Theatre
November 29 – New Orleans, LA – Saenger Theatre
November 30 – Montgomery, AL – Montgomery Performing Arts Centre
December 2 – Savannah, GA – Johnny Mercer Theatre
December 3 – Sarasota, FL – Van Wezel Performing Arts Hall
December 5 – Estero, FL – Hertz Arena
December 6 – Hollywood, FL – Hard Rock Live

2026 TOUR DATES

March 25-29, 2026 – Miami, FL – Keeping The Blues Alive at Sea XI
April 10-12, 2026 - Miramar Beach, FL - Soundwave Beach Weekend.

ABOUT JOE BONAMASSA

Blues-rock superstar Joe Bonamassa is one of the most celebrated performing musicians of today. As a four-time GRAMMY-nominated artist and 15x Blues Music Award Nominee (4-time winner), he achieved his 28th No.1 album on the Billboard Blues Chart with his most recent live album and concert film, Live at the Hollywood Bowl With Orchestra. Joe is currently releasing new music from his upcoming new studio album, Breakthrough, out July 18th. Still in his 40s, Bonamassa has become a living legend with an astounding multi-genre catalog. He has released more than 50 albums, including studio and live recordings, as well as collaborative albums with

his adventurous side projects: Black Country Communion and Rock Candy Funk Party.

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A prolific writer who is always on the hunt to expand his eclectic musical horizons, Bonamassa has a limitless work ethic whether it's in the studio, on the road, or working with other artists to spur new music. In recent years, he has produced an immense number of albums including Joanne Shaw Taylor, Marc Broussard, Larry McCray, Jimmy Hall, and others for his independent labels Journeyman Records and KTBA Records, and has also launched Journeyman LLC, a full-service artist management, record label, concert promotion, and marketing company that builds awareness for independent artists worldwide. Visit <http://www.jbonamassa.com> for more information.

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