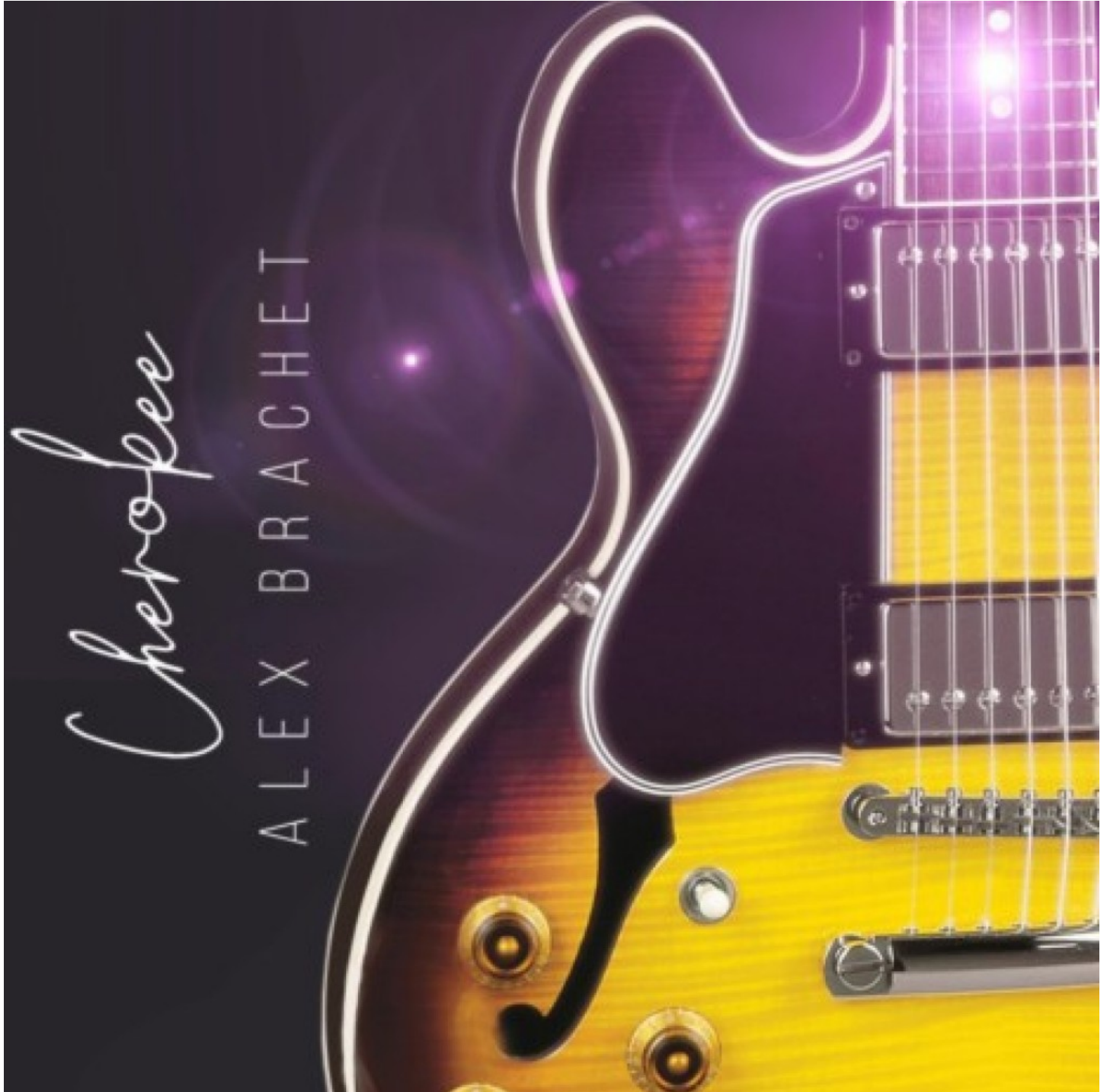


Guitarist Alex Brachet Delivers a Blistering Bebop Statement with New Explosive 'Cherokee' Single

From shred guitar roots to bebop fluency, Alex Brachet's take on “Cherokee” is a tour de force in speed and phrasing.



New Rochelle, New York Apr 19, 2025 ([Issuewire.com](https://www.issuewire.com)) - Jazz guitarist **Alex Brachet** unleashes a scorching rendition of “*Cherokee*”, recorded in quartet and played at a dizzying 300 bpm, showcasing not only sheer technical prowess but a deep command of the bebop language — adapted from his piano background and channeled through his sunburst Gibson ES-335.

Brachet, who originally honed his chops in the world of shred — citing **Yngwie Malmsteen**, **Shawn Lane**, and **Steve Vai** as early influences — brings a rare fusion of speed, articulation, and bebop phrasing that's reminiscent of **John McLaughlin** in his fiery days. But unlike McLaughlin, Brachet makes no claim to spiritual transcendence here: this is jazz as a proving ground, a raw and focused expression of pure guitar language.

In this compact and intense single, Brachet takes no detours. After voicing the theme with clarity and intent, he launches into two ferocious choruses of soloing, marked by relentless forward motion, surprising intervallic shapes, and a sharp melodic sense. The rest of the quartet remains in the shadows, serving primarily as rhythmic support — a decision that underscores the track's role as a personal statement rather than a group conversation.

Some may find the brevity and lack of ensemble interaction limiting, but there's no denying the impact of Brachet's playing. *Cherokee* isn't a complete artistic manifesto — it's a spark, a flash, a glimpse of what could come when raw firepower meets refined jazz vocabulary. And for those who might wonder if it's all studio smoke and mirrors, **a live video of the solo — featuring Brachet in full flight — is available on YouTube**, already racking up over **12,000 views** and climbing. The fire is real.

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- YouTube (live solo): https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=d6PXu7_qHSA

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