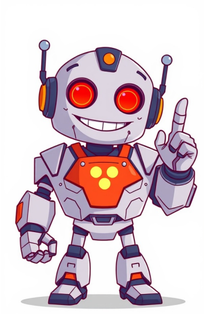
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GearPRS Chleo Guitar – Herman Li Signature Model Fishman Fluence Omniforce Pickups – Herman Li Signature ModelHerman Li, hailing from Hong Kong, has carved a niche as a renowned guitarist, songwriter, producer, and content creator for the Grammy-nominated metal band DragonForce. Over the past two decades, he has solidified his status as one of the most influential guitarists of his generation. Twice honored with Metal Hammer's Golden Gods 'Best Shredder' title, he also claimed the 'God of Riffs' award in 2024. His expertise has earned him top spots in Guitar World's Readers Poll across four categories. Beyond DragonForce, Herman has shared the stage with guitar legends like Joe Satriani, Steve Vai, Tony MacAlpine, and Paul Gilbert. His digital presence is equally robust, with active engagement on platforms like YouTube, TikTok, and Twitch, where he connects with fans through livestreams and educational content. Collaborations with tech giants such as Nvidia, Meta, and Asus ROG underscore his multifaceted influence. Herman emphasizes deep instrument knowledge for growth, contributing to the EGEN signature guitar series and currently working on a PRS Guitars project. He also mentors aspiring guitarists through publications like Young Guitar and Premier Guitar. Outside music, he enjoys tech, martial arts, and Porsche racing, fluent in English, French, and Cantonese. Sam Totman, born in Oxford, began his classical guitar training at nine, later shifting focus to songwriting for DragonForce. His signature style blends melodic power with catchy hooks, crafting tracks that linger in listeners' minds. While not a fan of binge drinking, he's known for his unique stage act of sipping beer while playing. Marc Hudson, the band's vocalist, started singing at 16 after years of guitar, embracing his "Mr. Scream" persona. Influenced by Michael Kiske and James Labrie, he's honed a powerful, melodic voice through relentless practice. Gee Anzalone, a Torino-born drummer, mastered double-kick techniques at 15, later teaching at the NAM Academy. His passion for metal led to collaborations with bands like Braindamage, refining his skills for DragonForce. Alicia, who began with piano at four, expanded her musical range to include flute, saxophone, guitar, and more. MUSICAL INFLUENCES: Michael Kiske, Bruce Dickinson, Sebastian Bach, James Labrie, Ronnie James Dio, Michele Luppi, Roberto Tyranti, Rob Halford, Russel Allen. Gee Anzalone, who started drumming at 15, graduated from the NAM Academy in Milano, becoming a rock and metal educator. His career in metal began early, shaping his approach to DragonForce. Alicia's journey began with piano at four, evolving into a versatile musician across multiple instruments.Dragonforce's Alicia Vigil took a bold leap in her music career by forming her own band, Vigil Of War, after leaving She Demons. Now, she's set to join forces with Dragonforce on their North American tour in 2025! Herman Li from Dragonforce comments: "Alicia impressed me with her playing skills and professionalism." As the power metal warriors kick off their Warp Speed Warriors World Tour, they'll be spreading magic across the US, including stops at LOUDER THAN LIFE (KY) and AFTERSHOCK (CA). To top it all off, Dragonforce singer Marc Hudson lends his voice to a Netflix anime show! With this exciting lineup and tour dates, fans won't want to miss their chance to experience the power of Dragonforce live. ========== DragonForce to Perform at Jinan Spring World YOMA Music Festival in China DragonForce, the Grammy-nominated power metal band, has announced their participation in the upcoming Jinan Spring World YOMA Music Festival, scheduled for March 11, 2025. This will be the band's first return to China, marking an exciting milestone in their musical journey. The festival promises to deliver an electrifying experience with DragonForce, along with other notable acts. The band has been touring extensively since the release of their latest album Warp Speed Warriors and have gained a significant following worldwide. DragonForce is also scheduled to perform at several other prominent festivals, including Louder Than Life in Louisville, KY, which will take place on September 18-21, 2025. In addition to their festival appearances, DragonForce has announced their European tour dates, featuring shows with Powerwolf and Amaranthe. The band's guitarist Herman Li expressed his excitement about bringing the final European shows of their Warp Speed Warriors World Tour to an electrifying spectacle of speed, power, shredding, and epic melodies. Fans can look forward to catching DragonForce live at various festivals and concerts throughout 2025. ========== DRAGONFORCE Announces New Album Warp Speed Warriors Grammy-nominated extreme power metal pioneers DRAGONFORCE will release their massive new album, Warp Speed Warriors, on March 15, 2024. The band's legendary lineup of guitar virtuosos Herman Li and Sam Totman, singer Marc Hudson, bassist Alicia Vigil, and drummer Gee Anzalone is set to create their most ambitious and innovative full-length work yet. Warp Speed Warriors showcases DRAGONFORCE exploring a wider range of musical styles than ever before, with an exciting musical journey that remains true to their roots. The band has already given fans a taste of what's to come with their new single, "Power of the Triforce", inspired by the Zelda game universe. "We're thrilled to unveil our latest track," says Herman Li, "a powerful homage inspired by one of our favorite video-game franchises, Zelda! We're eager for metal enthusiasts of all tastes to discover something special within its depths." The band's upcoming tours will feature a sonic adventure that will leave fans "braced". Breathtaking opening track "Astro Warrior Anthem" lives up to DRAGONFORCE's reputation as the world's fastest band. Other standout tracks include "Kingdom of Steel", "Burning Heart", and "The Killer Queen", with its electronic influences hypnotizing Marc Hudson's soaring vocals. Warp Speed Warriors was produced, mixed, and mastered by Damien Rainaud at Mix Unlimited in Los Angeles, California, with contributions from Sam Totman and Herman Li. The album promises to be a matchless listening experience that solidifies the band's legacy. Pre-order your copy of Warp Speed Warriors now! ========== DragonForce Announces Alicia Vigil as New Bassist for China Tour 2025 and Europe Summer Festival Dates Watch the official music video HERE. This year marks the 20th anniversary of their album Inhuman Rampage, which included platinum-selling single "Through the Fire and Flames".Tickets and limited VIP upgrades are available at dragonforce.com/showsDRAGONFORCE Live:China Tour 2025 Apr 10 CN, Shanghai – Bandai Namco Shanghai Base Dream Hall Apr 12 CN, Jinan – YOMA Spring World FestivalEurope Tour 2025 Jun 6 SE, Sölvesborg – Sweden Rock Festival Jun 8 DE, Dortmund – FZW Jun 10 FR, Toulouse – Zenith* Jun 11 FR, Lyon – Halle Tony Garnier* Jun 13 SK, Presov – Dobry Festival Jun 14 AT, Nickelsdorf – Nova Rock Festival Jun 16 FR, Meisenthal – La Boite Noire Jun 17 FR, Lille – Zenith* Jun 18 DE, Bremen – Modernes Jun 20 DE, Rostock – Stadthalle* Jun 21 BE, Dessel – Graspop Metal Meeting Jun 22 SE, Huskvarna – Folkets Park *^ Jun 24 SE, Uppsala – Fyrishov *^ Jun 27 FI, Helsinki – Tuska Festival Jun 30 PL, Lodz – Atlas Arena *~ Jul 2 HR, Zagreb – Tvornica Jul 3 HU, Dunaujvaros – Rockmaraton Jul 5 DE, Ballenstedt – Rockharz Festival Jul 6 NL, Utrecht – Tivoli Ronda Jul 9 DE, Nurnberg – Hirsch Jul 10 CZ, Vizovice – Masters of Rock Festival Jul 11 DE, Balingen – RV Bang Festival* with POWERWOLF ^ with AMARANTHE ~ with EPICANorth America 2025 Sept 19 USA, Louisville, KY – Louder Than Life Festival Oct 4 USA, Sacramento, CA – Aftershock Festival Dixon Hardware "Dragon's Cage Evolution"Czarcie Kopyto "'Supreme'" Kick Drum Pedals – DragonForce Limited Edition.UFIP Cymbals:Crash 17″ Bionic Series Crash 18″ Bionic Series x 2 Crash 19″ Bionic Series x 2 Crash 20″ Bionic Series China 18″ Bionic Series China 19″ Bionic Series Hi Hat 14″ Bionic Series x 2 Ride 20″ Bionic Series Splash 10″ Bionic Series Splash 10″ Bionic Series Ice Bell 8"Evans Drum Heads: Batter heads: G1 Coated 8″, G12 Coated 10″, G2 Coated 12″, G2 Coated 13″,G2 Coated 16″,G2 Coated 18″,G2 Coated 22″ Resonant heads: G1 Coated 8″, 10″, 12″, 13″, 16″, 18″ Snare Batter: HD Genera Dry 14″, Genera Dry 14″ Snare Resonant: Hazy 300 14″Promark Drum Sticks: 5B Model Gee Anzalone DragonForceRoland TM-2 Module Trigger Roland Triggers RT30-K x 2, BT-1Samson: DK707 – 7 Piece Drum Mic Kit + CO3Gee Anzalone, a drummer born in Torino, Italy, has been playing drums since he was 15 years old. He began teaching drumming and music production at the NAM Academy in Milano after graduating in 2005. As a specialist in rock and metal, he is passionate about extreme drumming techniques and modern methods. Outside of DragonForce, he runs his own academy, Extreme Music Performance Academy, where he teaches various aspects of drumming to students. Alicia Vigil, an accomplished bassist from the United States, has recently joined DragonForce as their new bassist for the China Tour 2025 and select European festival dates. Alicia's musical journey began at the age of four when she started playing piano and later picked up other instruments including guitar, tenor saxophone, and flute. She played bass in several bands before forming her own group, Vigil Of War, where she could express her passion for rock / metal music. After her former band disbanded, Alicia decided to take the reins and pursue a solo career. Alicia comments: "I am beyond thrilled to be joining DragonForce on this tour. I look forward to performing in these new cities and being part of their legacy."Herman Li, guitarist for DragonForce, recommends Alicia through musician friends in LA. He praises her exceptional playing skills, professionalism, and ability to quickly learn the band's songs. DragonForce will now perform with Alicia Vigil on select dates during the China Tour 2025 and Europe Summer Festival Dates.