### **Electronic Press Kit (EPK)**

## ★ BAND OVERVIEW

Airport is a jazz fusion quartet led by Italian guitarist Gio Guido, currently based in Japan. Known for blending cinematic textures, world influences, and modern improvisation, Airport delivers dynamic instrumental storytelling with emotional depth and technical mastery.

#### Lineup:

- Gio Guido guitar, composer
- Jun Masaoka drums
- Hiroshi Ichimura bass
- Yasumasa Kumagai piano & keyboards
- Special Guest: Miho Ohashi violin



#### ALBUM: Runway

Runway is the debut album by Airport, a four-piece instrumental ensemble led by Gio Guido. The band features Jun Masaoka (drums), Hiroshi Ichimura (bass), and Yasumasa Kumagai (piano and keyboards), with special guest violinist Miho Ohashi appearing on several tracks.

Rooted in jazz fusion, the album is a cinematic and emotionally charged journey across nine original compositions. From groove-driven improvisation to lyrical ballads and worldinspired textures, Runway showcases the quartet's range, depth, and cohesive sound.

#### Highlights:

- "Runway": the cinematic opening with soaring violin and lyrical guitar
- "View From The Horizon": world-inspired, ambient textures
- "Les Amants (Sonata N.3)": poetic and passionate with flamenco-inspired energy
- "Nostalgica": a 6/8 classical guitar ballad with jazz harmony

Runway presents Airport not just as jazz musicians, but as sonic storytellers — crossing genres with taste, vision, and a unified musical voice.



# **TECHNIQUE FOCUS: Up & Down Fingerstyle (2-Year Evolution)**

Two years after first being featured in Guitar World Magazine, Gio Guido's innovative Up & Down Fingerstyle has developed into a fully integrated musical language.

The technique — which uses alternating combinations of the index, middle, and ring fingers for ultra-fast, articulate single-note lines — is no longer an experiment but a core part of the guitarist's expression across the Runway album.

"It's not about speed for the sake of it — it's about connecting phrasing with intention, precision, and emotion. This technique gave me the physical access to play what I hear inside."

## P LINKS & STREAMING

Bandcamp (Full Album): https://gioguido.bandcamp.com/album/runway YouTube (Official Channel): https://www.youtube.com/@GioGuidoMusic

Website: https://gioguidomusic.com

Spotify: https://open.spotify.com/album/6jfvVfevknFuJp5JYGAIwu All About Jazz Profile: https://allaboutjazz.com/musicians/gio-guido

#### **PHOTOS & MEDIA**

- Album cover (Runway)
- Promo photo of Gio Guido
- Band group shot (if available)

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Airport core trio with Jun Masaoka, Gio Guido, and Hiroshi Ichimura





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