

At the end of 2013 Alexandre Brito, one of the founding members of the legendary Brazillian metal acts Andralls, left the band. The disbandment of the group soon followed. It was really difficult to find any official information or band's statement addressing the reasons for the aforementioned split-up.. Personally, Alex is my really good friend, so when I had an occasion to meet him, I decided to ask him couple of questions about the band and his current plans.

Q: So, let's start from the most important question in this interview. There have been a lot of rumours about your departure from Andralls, splitting-up of the band, but yet there has been no official statement from the band. Thus. I would like to ask you, why did you left the band?

AB: Last year my mom died, so it wasn't easy for me to deal with my own feelings and I started to drink a lot, taken some drugs and had some personal struggles with the rest of the guys in the band. After that we had a problem in one of the festivals held in the south of Brazil, because I drank a lot and I fell asleep just before we were about to play the gig. The guys decided to leave me on the festival and come back to our hometown. After coming back to my home I talked with my family, with my brothers and I saw clearly that it was the time for me to put my life with the band on hold. I don't know whether it's will be just for a while or forever. Me and Ed played together for a long time about twenty years - so we had our own personal struggles and became really difficult for us to live on the road. We have our own lives, and we just had to take care of them. I think that this was the time to stop. I don't know if we ever come back, or not. I would say yes, because Ed is like a brother to me, so maybe it's just a break.

All these rumors are caused because I've just left a message on the internet, on my personal facebook, but all band decided not to put it out. We had a conversation after that, so the band just decided to stop.



Q: So you wanted to keep it all personal, right?

AB: Yes. Eddie, as I told, is like my brother, so he came to me and told me "Hey, look, the band is me and you - so I play in the band without you". Thus, they've decided to stop the functioning of the band, even when I protested and said "Come on, you can continue the band, with or without me".

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Q: Do you think of any side-projects or another band to replace Andralls?
AB: No.
Q: And do you know whether Eddie or Cleber are thinking about such things?
AB: Yes. Cleber started a new project. I don't know a lot about it, I just talked with him some weeks ago and I asked "Hey, how are you? How is your life going on? How is your family, your daughter?", etc. And he replied "Yes, I'm OK, I work a lot and play with some guys". But that's all I know. I don't know if we can come back to playing together. I hope yes, but at the moment, this is all I can say.
Q: Assuming that Andralls' reunion would actually happen, do you think it would be a matter of months or rather, years?
AB: Personally, deep in my mind, I believe we could come back even next year. Right now I'm here, in Europe and I've heard a lot of people saying "come back, we want to see you again", etc. So when I'll be back in Brazil I'll arrange a meeting with the guys and just ask them what they want to do - to finally decide whether we call it quits with Andralls, or come back.





