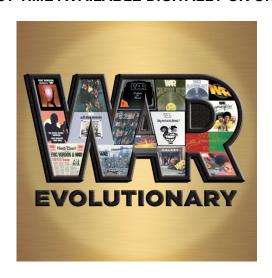
WAR TO RELEASE NEW STUDIO ALBUM, 'EVOLUTIONARY,' ON MAY 19th VIA FAR OUT RECORDS/UMe; U.S. TOUR DATES ANNOUNCED

'EVOLUTIONARY' IS LEGENDARY BAND'S FIRST NEW STUDIO ALBUM IN 20 YEARS, FEATURING SPECIAL GUEST COLLABORATIONS WITH CHEECH & CHONG, TOWER OF POWER, JOE WALSH, MALIK YUSEF, AND THE USC MARCHING BAND

ALBUM TO BE PACKAGED WITH WAR'S NEWLY REMASTERED MULTI-PLATINUM 'GREATEST HITS' COLLECTION – FIRST TIME AVAILABLE DIGITALLY OR ON CD



Los Angeles, CA – March 18, 2014 - On May 19, the legendary and groundbreaking group, WAR, will release their first new studio album in 20 years, titled *EVOLUTIONARY*, on Far Out Records/UMe. Available on 2CD and digitally, the package includes the new *EVOLUTIONARY* album and WAR's digitally remastered, multi-Platinum *GREATEST HITS* collection, originally released in 1976 and never before released digitally or on CD. Featuring special guest collaborations with Cheech & Chong, Tower of Power, Joe Walsh, Malik Yusef, and the USC Marching Band, *EVOLUTIONARY* showcases WAR's multi-ethnic lineup and genre-defying style, combining jazz, rock, funk, soul, R&B and Latin. The band also announced U.S. tour dates starting March 20, including co-headlining performances with Cheech & Chong at The Joint at Las Vegas' Hard Rock Hotel & Casino on May 16 and at Los Angeles' Greek Theatre on May 24 (see confirmed dates below).

Produced by Jerry Goldstein and Lonnie Jordan, the new set touches on **WAR**'s L.A. roots, while also updating the band's classic sound for a new generation of fans. *EVOLUTIONARY* was recorded at Total Access Studios in Redondo Beach, California by **WAR** founding member/vocalist **Lonnie Jordan**, percussionist **Marcos Reyes**, guitarist **Stuart Ziff**, bassist **Francisco "Pancho" Tomaselli**, drummer **Sal Rodriguez**, saxophonist/flautist **David Urquidi**, and harmonica player **Stanley Behrens**.

EVOLUTIONARY includes the autobiographical first single, "That L.A. Sunshine," featuring Cheech & Chong, who memorably used WAR's "Low Rider" in their movie debut, *Up in Smoke*. Cheech & Chong and WAR are co-headlining the ongoing "Up In Smoke Tour."

The album also includes "Mamacita," which revisits the band's Latin heritage and the Hollywood streets that inspired them -- accompanied by special guest Joe Walsh on guitar and the Tower of Power horns. "Inspiration," a song set to a Lonnie Jordan-penned poem, celebrates the band's unique relationship with its fervent fan base. Additionally, five-time GRAMMY® winner and member of Kanye West's G.O.O.D. posse, Malik Yusef brings his hip-hop pedigree to the smooth R&B ballad, "Outer Space," the "Low Rider" sample of "Bounce," and the gospel choir on "Everything." Yusef also contributes the rap to Motown writers Norman Whitfield and Barrett Strong's "War" (a hit for Edwin Starr), which also features the famed USC Trojan Marching Band.

WAR is the quintessential Los Angeles street band, first discovered by producer/writer **Jerry Goldstein** in a North Hollywood club. Eric Burdon and **WAR** burst onto the charts with the classic worldwide hit "Spill The Wine." Burdon and **WAR** toured extensively across the United States and Europe, until Burdon departed the band during the tour. The tour continued and the band returned to Los Angeles to record their first album as **WAR**. The rest is history.

WAR has achieved 31 Gold, Platinum and Multi-Platinum RIAA sales honors, 11 Top 10 pop hits, and 15 Top 10 R&B hits, including "Low Rider," "Spill the Wine," "Why Can't We Be Friends," "The Cisco Kid," "The World is a Ghetto," "Gypsy Man," and "Summer."

Over the years, WAR's songs have been sampled by a broad range of artists, including the Beastie Boys, George Clinton, The Geto Boys, Ice Cube, Ice-T, Janet Jackson, Method Man, Redman, Smash Mouth, Tupac Shakur, Barry White, ZZ Top, Portishead, Korn, and many more.

Songs from the group's legendary catalog have been featured on the soundtracks for several hit movies, including *Lethal Weapon*, *Boogie Nights*, and *Gone in 60 Seconds*, popular TV shows "Beverly Hills 90210," "My Name Is Earl," and "The Simpsons," and best-selling video games "Grand Theft Auto IV" and "Skate 2."

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WAR: Evolutionary | Greatest Hits [2CD; digital]

CD 1: Evolutionary

- 1. That L.A. Sunshine
- 2. Mamacita
- 3. It's Our Right / Funky Tonk
- 4. Just Like Us
- 5. Inspiration
- 6. Scream Stream
- 7. This Funky Music
- 8. Outer Space
- 9. War / War After War (A Soldier's Story)
- 10. Bounce
- 11. Everything
- 12. It's My Life

CD 2: Greatest Hits (remastered)

- 1. All Day Music
- 2. Slippin' Into Darkness
- 3. The World Is A Ghetto
- 4. The Cisco Kid
- 5. Gypsy Man
- 6. Me And Baby Brother
- 7. Southern Part Of Texas
- 8. Why Can't We Be Friends?
- 9. Low Rider
- 10. Summer

WAR: U.S. Tour Dates

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March 20	Riverside Theater	Milwaukee, WI
March 21	Mystic Lake Casino	Prior Lake, MN
March 22	1stBank Center	Broomfield, CO
March 29	Peoria Civic Center Arena	Peoria, IL
April 5	American Bank Center	Corpus Christi, TX
April 6	Majestic Theatre	San Antonio, TX
April 17	Enmore Theater	Sydney, AUS
April 18	Hamer Hall	Melbourne, AUS
April 19-21	Byron Bay Blues Festival	Byron Bay, AUS
April 27	Stockton Asparagus Festival	Stockton, CA
May 2	Chandler Pass	Phoenix, AZ
May 16	Hard Rock Hotel & Casino - The Joint	Las Vegas, NV
May 17	Tachi Palace Hotel & Casino	Lemoore, CA
May 24	Greek Theatre	Los Angeles, CA
May 29	San Bernardino County Fair	Victorville, CA
June 12	San Mateo County Fair	San Mateo, CA
June 13	Merced County Fair Outdoor Theatre	Merced, CA
June 21	Genessee Theatre	Waukegan, IL
June 28	Wonderland of the Americas Outdoor	San Antonio, TX
July 5	Nugget Rose Ballroom	Reno NV
July 18	TBA	Boise, ID
July 19	Marrymore	Seattle, WA
July 26	Lock 3 Live	Akron, OH
August 2	Tags	Big Falls, NY
August 7	Northwest Ohio Rib-Off	Maumee, OH
August 17	Bohemian Nights at NewWestFest	Ft. Collins, CO
August 28	Jackson Rancheria Casino Resort	Jackson, CA
August 29	Monterey County Fair	Monterey, CA
September 5	LA County Fair	Los Angeles, CA
October 19-20	Capitol Jazz Cruise	Ft. Lauderdale, FL
October 24	Casino Baltimore	Baltimore, MD
October 31	Twin River Casino	Lincoln, RI
November 21	Magic City Casino	Miami, FL

^{*}Bold indicates co-headlining dates with Cheech & Chong

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