Six-member band will entertain crowd as part of mall’s initiative to promote upcoming talents

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Inorbit Mall at Vashi will witness live performance of a young and youthful band ‘Mazdoor Union’ on Friday, October 22 at 7.30 pm. The band comprises of six members who are all students of MET College in Bandra. They would be playing mainly yesteryears classic hits and a couple of original music too that they have themselves worked on. Their performance is a part of an initiative called as ‘Live at Inorbit’ that has been started by the mall in September 2009. The main aim of the mall in starting this is to give an opportunity to new budding talents all across Mumbai and Navi Mumbai so that they get noticed. From rock bands to classical music, ‘Live at Inorbit’ aspires to be a platform for young talent to be tried and tested.

Mazdoor Union has Eric Massey as their lead singer, Salesh Soman on the rhythm guitar, Hoshedar Bamji as the lead guitarist, Prasanjeet Waghmare on the drums, Nitin Uppot on the bass guitar and Rishabh Jule who multi-tasks being the drummer, on the keyboard as well as backing vocals too. When asked about how they came up with such an unconventional name for their band, Salesh says, “When we initially started playing, and decided to form a band of our own we did not even have our own musical instruments. We almost performed for our first gig with a borrowed guitar. Hence, we decided to name our band as Mazdoor Union.” However, today their situation has changed for the better and they have now gone ahead and purchased their own instruments. Salesh further asserts, “When we won the MET Utsav last year it was like a major breakthrough for our band to get noticed amongst many.”

The members of the band are all batch mates at MET and are between the age group of 20 and 25 years. Also, one would not find them playing much of metal music too. As a part of the initiative that Inorbit, Vashi has started they have bands performing every alternate Friday. In the past too, bands which have performed were Radial Dispersion, Indian Blues, Metal Orgy and Rudraksh which is the first Marathi rock band. It is also one of the many community initiatives that Inorbit undertakes.