

Project Mishram



Project Mishram or simply **MishraM** is a 'seven' piece Progressive Carnatic fusion band from Bangalore, India. Mishram's is an amalgamation of the western genres of music like Rock, Metal, Jazz, Reggae and Electronic music centered around the Indian classical music. In Sanskrit, Mishram means 'Mix' and also denotes the number 'Seven'. The band was formed in 2015, by a group of seven talented youngsters and budding musicians who pushed the boundaries and believed in creating a unique style of infusing Indian classical elements within western music.

The line-up consists of

- Shivaraj Nataraj** - Lead vocals/Beat-boxing
- Pranav Swaroop BN** - Violin/Backing vocals
- Anirudh Koushik** - Flute
- Sumant Nemmani** - Lead guitar
- Srishankar Sundar** - Rhythm guitar
- Ram Srinivas** - Bass
- Sanath Shanbhogue** - Drums/Mridangam and other percussions

Two years on the competition circuit, playing at open-mic nights, live music bars, and inter-collegiate festivals winning over 35+ 'Battle of bands' events and an inspired outlook on Carnatic fusion later, Project Mishram has been performing across the country and abroad at prestigious venues and has won several awards and recognition. With three successful international concert tours (2019, 2022 and 2023), Mishram has played over 30 shows overseas at the ArcTangent Festival-2023, twice at the prestigious UK Tech Fest, alongside some of the biggest progressive metal bands like Monuments, The Ocean Collective, God is an astronaut, Vildhjarta, and Leprous, South Asian Heritage Festival-2023 to name a few.

The band has bagged several accolades throughout the journey such as Yamaha Swagbash (2017), Maruti Suzuki-Colours of Youth-Season 7 (2018), a reality show for entertainment acts across the country judged by Benny Dayal, Shakti Mohan, Neeti Mohan, and Soha Ali Khan at which a brand new Maruti Suzuki-Vitara Brezza was gifted to the winners of the show.

In India, the band has performed at prominent music festivals and live music venues including at Music Mojo on Kappa TV, Nat Geo Wild's 'Echos of Earth festival-2019', TEDx NitteDU and Hyderabad, Strawberry Fields festival to name a few.

Project Mishram has had the privilege to open for stalwarts in the Indian film and music industry such as Sid Sriram and Shaan at IIT Madras, Sunidhi Chauhan at XIM Bhubhaneshwar, Benny Dayal at IIM Bangalore, Thaikkudam Bridge at IISc Bangalore, Anushka Manchanda at RVCE, The Local train at NIT Surathkal, UnderSide (Nepal) and Modern Day Babylon (Czech Republic). During the pandemic, Project Mishram was one of the very few band chosen to perform at HCL SoundScapes, online concert series which garnered over 1 million views. Other artists featured in this series include Harshdeep Kaur, Kavita Seth, and Mame Khan. Many other corporate entities have organized concerts, sponsored tours, and have supported the band including TEDx, Air India, Maruti Suzuki NEXA, Monster Energy and Fab India. The band was invited to perform twice at the High Commission of India in London, United Kingdom.

Several noted music magazines and critics have reviewed and featured the band including Rolling Stone, ProgSpace in addition to regular articles in Indian news media. Project Mishram has around 5 singles and an album 'Meso' featuring several acclaimed musicians from around the world including Rajesh Vaidya, KMac2021, Arun Luthra. Project Mishram and the album 'Meso' were longlisted in the voting ballots for the 'Best New Artist' and 'Best Album of the year' categories for the Grammy awards-2022. The album was also nominated as the 'Best debut album' by Progspace Awards 2021.

More recently, the band was invited to perform at the Tag der offenen Tür (Open day celebrations) at German Foreign Office and at Kultur Sommerfestival 2023 in Berlin, by the Embassy of India in Germany. Project Mishram also performed a special independence day concert at the Embassy of India in Vienna on 15th Aug 2023. The band has also performed in Spain, Italy and Slovenia.

Social media :

[Facebook](#) [YouTube](#) [Spotify](#) [Apple Music](#)

[High resolution transparent background band image](#)

[Band member pictures and profile](#)

[Tech rider \(Comprehensive\)](#) - For smaller shows, please check with the band for tech requirements.

Video links :

[Meso - Full album stream](#)

[Cynic Machine](#)

[TamasaT](#)

[SpoonShift1](#)

[Vatapi Ganapathim Bhaje](#)

[Nagumomu Mashup](#)

Press reviews :

"After several listens to the six-track record, you know that unpredictability is a badge that Project MishraM wear proudly, whether they're sprinting between hip-hop and metal on "Loco Coko," improvising konnakol vocals over a glorious horn section on "Nivaasa" or stomping around with impunity on groove-laden tracks like "Sakura" and "Kanakana."

[-Rolling Stone India](#)

“‘Meso’ is exactly the culturally diverse, weird but not too avant-garde fusion album I’ve been craving for in a while and I can’t wait to hear what more MishraM has to offer. It also made me realize how limited my knowledge about India is and sparked some interest in their history and culture, hopefully, it will have the same effect on you too.”

-[Progspace](#)

[BBC Radio, July 2019](#)

[Rolling Stone India](#)

[Eastern Eye-My playlist with Project Karnamix](#)

[An Ode to Music-Project Karnamix](#)

[NRI Pulse, March 2019](#)

[The New Indian Express-The show must go on, Dec 2018](#)

[Indian Express-Indulge, Sept 2019](#)

[Times of India, Holding on to tradition, Mar 2018](#)

[The Deccan Herald, The key to any gig is having fun, Oct 2017](#)

[TEDxNitteDU, 2018](#)

[ATKT, Sensational new single, Oct 2017](#)

[Passion Connect, August 2018](#)

[Distorted sound magazine, Dec 2018](#)

[The Deccan Chronicle, A musical Karnamix, August 2016](#)

Testimonial :

"This is the talent that India is proud of. This is the talent that the world will watch. Talent meets creativity, meets innovation, and the youth. You are the colors of youth!"

- **Neeti Mohan, Bollywood singer**

"I'm always blown away by what they do. Project Mishram is truly international because you will take Indian music internationally to international music festivals and make us really proud."

- **Benny Dayal, Bollywood singer**

"That was like one of the coolest things I have seen. It was so incredibly creative and so much fun"

- **Soha Ali Khan, Bollywood actress**

"This is such a beautiful blend of our culture. You put up this performance which is beyond my imagination. This is what dancers want to do, these kinds of collaborations. I don't have much to say but I can do this (gives a standing ovation)!"

- **Shakti Mohan, Contemporary Indian dancer**

"This is so much talent at a such young age. India has so much talent it's just that you need to know what to do with it. They are not doing it for the sake of doing it. They know it! They have used it well. They have arranged it well. People just jam and that's not arrangement. The arrangement is the key to any band and its nice to see good talent"

- **Leslie Lewis, Indian music composer, and singer (Colonial Cousins)**

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