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The members of Red Light Driver aren't interested in being the next big thing

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Red Light Driver CD Release Show
Radio Radio - 1119 Prospect St. - Indianapolis (South Indy)
December 13 : 9 p.m.



Red Light Driver (Credit: Photo provided by MFT Records)

They may have gunned for fame as members of bygone bands such as Lunar Event and Pop Lolita, but today they make music as its own reward.

That's the story behind the provocative title of Red Light Driver's debut album, "..... And Now We Can Be Ourselves."

"People try so hard to fit into some niche and milk it for all it's worth," guitarist Jonathan Harmon says. "We've been doing this long enough that we've done enough pandering to people. It's just not worth it."

"Really the most important thing is the music and the friendship," adds vocalist-guitarist Derek Osgood. "I think if you get those things down, you'll have a better chance of doing something better."

Harmon, Osgood, bass player Mike Contreras and drummer Drew Reed made their relaxed and unfiltered album with Paul Mahern at the producer's home studio.

"It was actually amazingly easy going into the studio this time," Reed says. "Sitting in the same room, we were kind of in a circle facing each other. I think most of the songs we'd go through one or two takes and we'd be done."

The quartet will celebrate the [CD release Dec. 13 at Radio Radio](#).

It's a cohesive album, inspired by friends who drop in and out of the local music community, a salacious rendezvous at an airport, and fresh starts for time-tested musicians.

"You'd be surprised how much we don't argue," Osgood says. "Our interests are so much the same that we're all on the same page."

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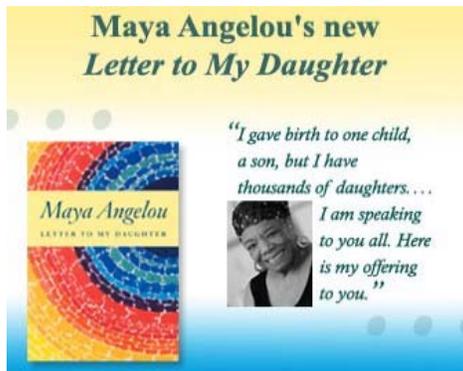
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