

LOCKED INSIDE BIO

New York City – the original melting pot; pulling in all walks of life from all parts of the planet, has always been a hotbed for underground, youth-culture movements. New York is the city that turned punk rock into hardcore, imported kids from from CT and NJ and turned a drug-addled dive bar into the worldwide center for the Straight Edge Hardcore movement of the late 1980s (transplanted from further away in DC and Boston and boiled down to a powder-keg of aggressive but positive hardcore on the Lower East Side). And decades after NYC galvanized the Youth Crew Straight Edge Hardcore scene, it finally has a new band carrying the banner that Youth Of Today, Judge, Project X, and Gorilla Biscuits waved before them.

Locked Inside is made up of veterans of the NY, NJ, Colombia and Argentina hardcore scenes, all finding themselves residents of the NY Metro area with a common interest in bringing back the music and the message that once emanated from their common home. With a musical background running the gamut from traditional Straight Edge Hardcore to even more metal-influenced hardcore (the bands pedigree including Mouthpiece, Youth Of Today, Nueva Etica, and more), they bring a seasoned approach and precise musicianship to the table; offering a clear-minded take on heavy-but-traditional hardcore, with a searing recording produced by close friend Javi Cassas, guitarist of Argentinian Vegan Straight Edge powerhouse Nueva Etica.

While the members all contribute to the music and have found a great balance in playing fast, traditional hardcore with a heavier attack and extreme precision, singer Ed McKirdy has a distinct mission: rising above what divides us and seeking out what brings us together, at the same time keeping the content unabashedly Straight Edge. Leaving no room to wander off track lyrically, he hits the subject of temperance again and again as a means of personal progress and escape from the insanity of the modern world.

Ed McKirdy - Vocals

Vinny Panza - Drums

Gerardo Villalobos - Bass

Carlos Gutierrez - Guitar