

# Weekend things to do: New York moments in Fort Lauderdale, Boston beer on Clematis, Hasan Minaj at the Hard Rock

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The Fitz Bar & Lounge opened March 11 in downtown Fort Lauderdale's Tarpon River area. (Michael Laughlin/Sun Sentinel)

I found my new favorite bar this week, [the Fitz Bar & Lounge](#) in downtown Fort Lauderdale's Tarpon River — not through some kind of hipster, in-the-know expertise, but via one of those yard-sale signs, stuck in the ground by the Brightline tracks, with an arrow that read “Cool bar.”

There are a lot of reasons to like the place, but what struck me first was the loop of old '80s-'90s-'00s music videos playing over the bar. They included the obvious (Britney Spears, Will Smith, Enrique Iglesias) but also the obscure, including Jane Child's "Don't Wanna Fall in Love."

Has anyone thought of that song in decades? I could not look away. With its black-and-white, rain-slick cobblestones and the leather-jacketed Child's towering hair and nose ring, the video is a timeless snapshot of a vintage New York City, when fight-me fashion, art, music and attitude mixed on the street in a very public way.

Even in the cliched version seen in the video, it felt good to see that New York again.