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'If these walls could talk, they would scream': This dive bar celebrates 40 years in Little Haiti

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Churchill's Pub in Miami is celebrating its 40 year anniversary with a blowout hosted by next-door neighbor Sweat Records in Little Haiti. BY ALEXIA FODERE | [MARTA OLIVER CRAVIOTTO](#) ✉



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Soccer matches, progressive bands, live DJs, cheap beer, grimy bathrooms. Think of Churchill's Pub as the anti LIV.

Nestled on a nondescript corner of Little Haiti for 40 years, this little bar that could is celebrating its anniversary with a blowout hosted by next-door neighbor Sweat Records this Saturday.

“Whether it’s being voted one of America’s Best Dive Bars, being a set for movies & TV, hosting countless live shows, or just being ‘our beloved sh**hole,’ we’re celebrating the legacy of a Miami institution with a great night of bands,” reads the [invite on Facebook](#). The festivities, with live performances by at least five bands — including Mr. Entertainment & The Pookiesmackers, The Barely Damned and Mold — begin at 9 p.m.

The legendary establishment, which used to be another hole in the wall called C&H Pub, was opened in 1979 by Englishman Dave Daniels who had a fondness for Winston Churchill, hence the mural out front.

Daniels [sold the bar](#) in 2014 to Little Haiti developer Mallory Kauderer who sold it to The Beverage Group founder Franklin Dale earlier this year.

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Regardless of who owns the place, Churchill's manager Ian Michael says not much has changed.

“We’re just continuing what Dave started,” he said. “We’re still just as committed to live, local music in Miami.”



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Translation: There haven't any major renovations, you can still smoke cigarettes and the layers of grit are visible to the naked eye.

That's all part of this old school venue's charm, however.