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Saturday is **Record Store Day** (<http://www.recordstoreday.com/>), and in celebration, there are three exciting days of free events at Little Amps Coffee Roasters, also home of **Little Amps Vinyl** (<https://www.facebook.com/LittleAmpsVinyl>). On Thursday, there's a free screening of the documentary "Last Shop Standing: The Rise and Fall and Rebirth of the Independent Record Shop" ([click here \(http://vimeo.com/58377460\)](http://vimeo.com/58377460) to watch the trailer) a free performance by Baltimore-based **Zomes** (<http://www.thrilljockey.com/thrill/Zomes/>) on Friday; and on Saturday, four free live musical performances and lots of Record Store Day specials.



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While Little Amps is known primarily for its delicious coffee, music is also at the center of the shop's mission. In fact, the place got its name from the "little amps" that owner Aaron Carlson used to carry around as a touring musician. If you walk to the back of the shop, you'll see racks full of vinyl for sale.

"When Aaron opened Little Amps, he decided to add a bin or two of vinyl to sell," explained Moviate Harrisburg's Caleb Smith, who now helps select the vinyl sold at Little Amps. "There are no CD's or anything for sale there, just vinyl. In fact, all the music you hear [at Little Amps] is vinyl that the baristas are playing... it's not XM Radio or something."

Smith started buying albums for Little Amps in October.

"We carry a mix of new and reissued stuff," Smith said. "For example, we have two Velvet Underground reissues, and we have the new Godspeed You! Black Emperor record. We also try to stock the records of bands that play at Little Amps or other places

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in the area. Like, when Mountains played at Little Amps, we made sure that we had their record."

Record Store Day has been happening since 2007, to celebrate the more than 700 independent record stores in the U.S., and the culture surrounding them. Lots of special- and limited-edition vinyl and CD's are released in conjunction with Record Store Day, and even the stores themselves don't know exactly what they will get until the boxes arrive.

"We'll have a bin of stuff that will be just released on Saturday or is exclusive to Saturday," Smith explained. "We're hoping for a couple things: an Uncle Tupelo record, Velvet Underground and Nico... there's an Elliott Smith 7" with four unreleased outtakes, ZZ Ward, a Miles Davis reissue... lots of fun, cool releases that are only available this Saturday."

In addition to the reissues, "Last Shop Standing," which is the official film of Record Store Day 2013, has been made available to participating stores at no charge for them to screen for free.

"It's got Johnny Marr from Modest Mouse and The Smiths and lots of other British musicians, talking about how they learned so much about music from the stores, how they were these institutions, and how they disappeared and are now having a resurgence," Smith said.

Visit **Little Amps Vinyl on Facebook**

(<https://www.facebook.com/LittleAmpsVinyl>) for more information on Record Store Day festivities at Little Amps.

If you go:

- Screening of "Last Shop Standing: The Rise, Fall and Rebirth of the Independent Record Shop," 8 p.m. April 18 at Little Amps Coffee Roasters, 1836 Green St., Harrisburg. All ages, free admission. Info at facebook.com/LittleAmpsVinyl.
- Record Store Day at Little Amps, 8 a.m. - 4 p.m. April 20 at Little Amps Coffee Roasters, 1836 Green St., Harrisburg. Performances by Stephen Michael Haas at 12 p.m., Jesse Mills at 1 p.m., These Seeds at 2 p.m., and Euphoric Dimensions at 3 p.m. All ages, free admission. Info at facebook.com/LittleAmpsVinyl.
- Zomes, 8 p.m. April 19 at Little Amps Coffee Roasters, 1836 Green St., Harrisburg. All ages, free admission. Presented by Moviate Harrisburg and Little Amps. Info at facebook.com/LittleAmpsVinyl.



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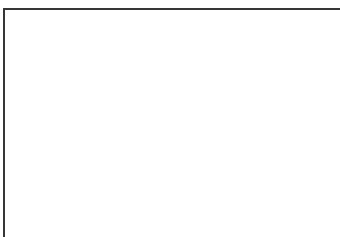
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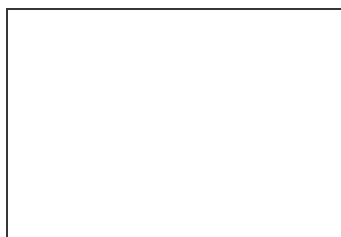
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