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## Bite-Sized: The Sound Bite Series Kicked Off at South Street Seaport

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Support your local bands and food stands! (Hey, that's a rhyme!) The second annual **Sound Bite Series** kicked off with a sloppy guitar riff this Sunday when **My Teenage Stride** performed a Ramones-esque set on the street in front of the Fulton Food Stalls at the South Street Seaport. The show was a haphazard 25 minutes or so, part of the River to River Festival, and curated by Bill Pearis, who coincidentally writes about music and enjoys good food, hence the mission of the series. What is typically tourist- and suit-central, Sound Bite brought out local residents, who enjoyed the street music and free samples of bread and produce, and local yummys for sale like Coolhaus ice cream sandwiches. The band, My Teenage Stride, was all ripped cut-offs and shaggy hair, and featured a barefoot front man, Jedidiah Smith, playing feel-good garage punk tunes. Smith has been making music under the moniker since 2004 and the band is based out of Brooklyn; Smith said they dig DIY venues, just like this one. The Sound Bite Series continues for three more weeks featuring The Hairs, pow wow!, and Hospitality.

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