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The Cathedral of St. Vibiana (210 S. Main St., 213.622.4849) was built as the seat of the Catholic archdiocese of Los Angeles in 1818. The property's rectory is expected to reopen as a restaurant in about 18 months.

PARTY PULPIT! *Stylish tribes convert to downtown's must-reserve private event spot*

Party planners knew they had a one-of-a-kind new location option last August when the gleaming white cupola was finally remounted atop the decommissioned Cathedral of St. Vibiana, had a date with the wrecking ball in 1996 before preservationists saved it and Old Bank District loft pioneer Tom Gilmore, along with developer Richard Wentraub, spent \$8 million and seven years diligently renovating it. So far, it's been pressed into service for, among other events, a Marc by Marc Jacobs fashion show, a LACMA Muse mixer, a pre-Golden Globes fundraiser for the Art of Elysium, and, this month, a post-Grammy bash for Warner Music Group.



LITTLE SERVICE COUPES: The Cadillac El Dorado Biarritz.

CAR RENTALS FOR LOCALS
Venice-based Spin Automotive (www.spin-la.com), which opened last August, has taken that SoCal tourist cliché—the red Ferrari or yellow Lamborghini rental-for-a-day—and tweaked the concept for Angelenos interested in tooling around in more offbeat connoisseur options like a black-with-yellow-accent '78 Trans Am or a teal-hued '62 Cadillac El Dorado Biarritz.

"If I left L.A., I'd miss the roads. Benedict Canyon is beautiful. PGH. Mulholland. I love the Sunset Strip, even when there's traffic." —Lisa Kudrow

"What do I like best about the city? Celebrities who call the paparazzi on themselves." —Harry Morton

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