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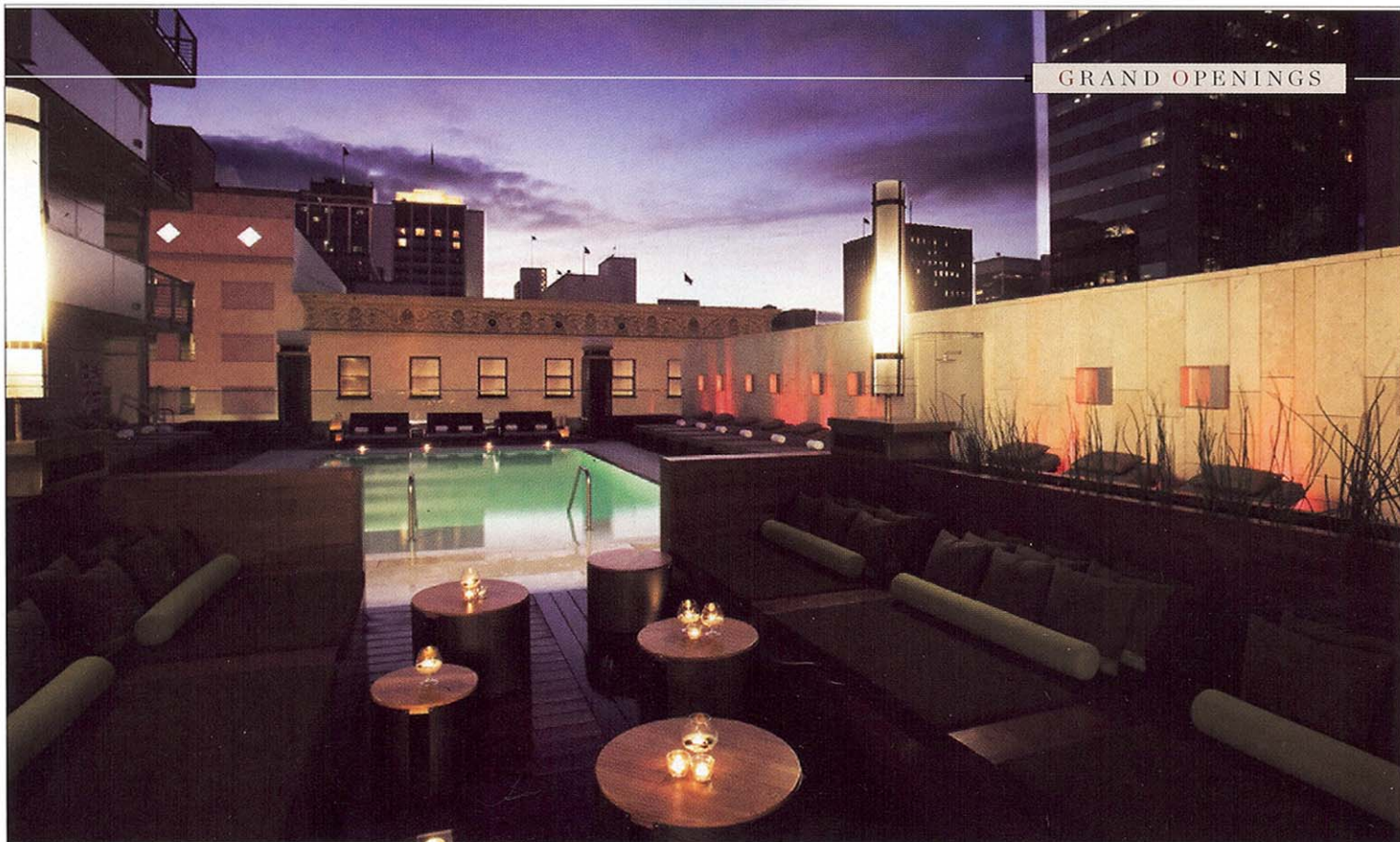
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SÈ It's So

HEADLINERS AT SAN DIEGO'S House of Blues have been vanishing from the venue ever since Sè San Diego, a 184-room high-rise hotel, opened next door in December. A subterranean passageway links the concert venue to the hotel, where an elevator can whisk performers up nearly 20 stories to the three-floor, 8,400-square-foot Grand Penthouse Suite. Sharilyn Olson-Rigdon designed the extravagant penthouse—the largest hotel room on the West Coast—for the hotel's owner, a developer from Las Vegas.

A jellyfish-like chandelier in Sè's lobby recalls both the glitz of the owner's hometown and the seaside surroundings of the hotel. Other allusions to the San Diego area include a wavelike installation by Ken Gangbar that climbs the wall from the lobby into the hotel's steak house. Cocktails and light fare are served outdoors at a fourth-floor lounge where, twice a week, acrobats perform Cirque du Soleil-type routines above and in the pool. *Sè San Diego*, 619.515.3000, www.sesandiego.com (\$300–\$25,000) — JENNIFER HALL

The fourth-floor pool and Uber lounge (top), Suite & Tender steak house (left), and a one-bedroom suite at downtown San Diego's new Sè hotel.