



VELVET UNDERGROUND

# At this rate, we can all see it like a tourist



And speaking of VIP, **Grass Restaurant & Lounge** is gearing up for the debut of its supper club component,

the intriguing yet oddly titled **King is Dead**, set to open in the fall. We dug a little further into the etymology of the 3,500-square-foot supper club's name and discovered it's derived from the French chant *Le Roi est mort. Vive le Roi!*, which was first roared during the coronation of Charles VII following the death of his father, Charles VI, in 1422. After one king takes his last breath, but before the next is crowned, only seconds pass, but, according to a press release, "that split second of time is multiplied and reinforced as

controlled chaos, debauchery, and pleasure, without a care in the world or a leader to rule." And that's what King is Dead is all about. Get it? You don't really have to. The destination, we're told, will fuse vintage with modern, pairing an ornate European renaissance decor with modern Italian chandeliers, graffiti walls, ostrich banquettes and Lucite chairs. King is Dead will also feature a late-night tasting menu and cocktails served in 16th century-style goblets. King Arthur meets the Design District. We can't wait to see the jesters trying to get in.