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## Space Odyssey

"The concept is a spaceship in the future," says Paul Hemming of his new nightspot, Temple. "We've come back to the planet after its destruction, and we're excavating these ancient temple sites." That explains the antique Buddhas set amid the stark white couches that Hemming—a former film major at SF State—describes as "Kubrick-esque." Add health-conscious cocktails, three rooms of "cutting-edge dance music" and a pan-Asian-fusion restaurant upstairs called Prana, and you begin to

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understand Temple's sensory approach. All that and green

business practices too. "I think people want more from a space than just a watering hole," Hemming says. "We're trying to build community." —*Aaron Davidson*