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Angel City Brewing Spreads Its Wings

Award-Winning Beermaking Company Debuts Its Downtown Digs

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After nearly 14 years in its Torrance location, the beloved brewery run by Michael Bowe, which has scooped numerous silver and gold medals at the Los Angeles International Beer Competition in the last few years alone, now calls the gritty-but-blossoming Arts District home.

Set within the historic John A. Roebling Building, the multi-purpose, 27,000-square-foot space features a brewery and a sampling area.

While the finishing touches are still being put on both, the venue is already serving up an appealing roster of 13 own-made brews, among them Che Pale Lager (named after everyone's favorite revolutionary) and Lester Young Pork Pie Hat Dark Lager (named after jazz legend Lester Young; Bowe is a huge fan of the genre); the menu also offers other craft beers and wines.

Bowe hopes to open up a restaurant on site before the end of 2011, but for now a rotating list of food trucks will suffice. (Thankfully, sausage-and-beer-haven Wurstküche is also within stumbling distance.)

Oh, and lest we forget, the new site has 50 parking spaces. But before you start drawing straws for the poor person who'll miss out on the fun (aka Designated Driver), realize that the Little Tokyo/Arts District Metro Rail station is nearby.

Although Angel City Brewing officially opened last Friday, it's continuing to celebrate its move this weekend. Snacks will be provided by Slammin' Sliders (Thursday) and Spring Street Smokehouse (Friday-Sunday), while own-made Angel City Lager, Angel City Ale, Angel City Vitzen and Charlie Parker Pale Ale will all be on tap.

Keep an eye out for future events, which will include live music and art exhibitions... but for now, hop to it!

Angel City Brewing, 216 S Alameda St, at Traction Ave, Los Angeles (213-622-1261 or www.angelcitybrewing.com). [Map](#)

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