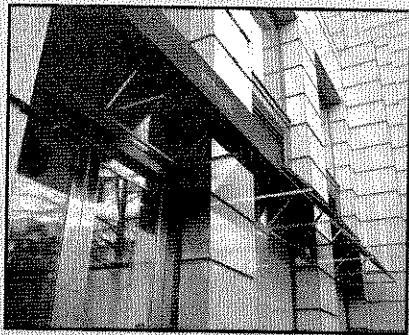


■ **Let's Chill.** It's sleek and urbane, and **David Chung** wants it to be the next place you select when going out in Washington. The establishment, **Kstreet** (www.kstreetdc.com), located at 1301 K St. N.W., is a departure from the stuffy, antiquated bars that have traditionally dominated Washington. Chung, a former associate at **Baker & Hostetler** and co-owner of the lounge, says the District is finally ready for such a space. It features 23 tables with low-level, padded, booth-type seating in an austere setting. "There was not a place in D.C. that had as many tables as we do," says Chung. That



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may be true today. But Washington was once a mecca of lounge bars, with hot spots attracting an older clientele all over the city. In recent

years, the lounge has made a comeback in major cities around the country. "With us, there's no dance floor, just a nice elegant bar with the majority of the space occupied by tables. You see a lot of that in Europe, South America, and Asia," says Chung. Anyone is welcome, provided they sign the guest list online. Forty percent of the club's business is derived from corporate events. Chung says Kstreet will do Christmas parties this year for **CNN** and **Charles E. Smith Commercial Realty**. **Reuters** chose Kstreet as its spot to party after this year's White House Correspondents' Association dinner. —JOE CREA