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## Eating L.A.

### ➔ Grace turns 5, hooray!



*Neal Fraser, center, with Modern Spirits Vodka's Melkon, left, and Litty, right.*

How many upper-tier restaurants can you name that opened five or more years ago and haven't experienced any glitches in food, service or reputation? It's just a handful, and **Grace** is definitely a member of that club. We stopped by the Beverly Blvd. restaurant's fifth anniversary celebration Monday night, where we were plied with delicious mini pulled pork sandwiches, bacon-wrapped scallops, foie gras mousse, truffled grilled cheese sandwiches, and some buttery, garlicky shrimp concoction I could eat every day. A large hunk of the city's restaurant writers were there to congratulate **Neal Fraser** and **Richard Drapkin** on their success. Fraser said the renovation of **Cole's Downtown**, for which he's consulting on the menu, is coming along slowly but surely, with opening targeted in the late summer/early fall range.



*Devilish little tequila caramel milkshakes -- just a shotglass is enough!*

On leaving, we tried a perfect sugared doughnut with a welcome salty edge, and a deceptively dangerous caramel/tequila milkshake shot. **Grace** really knows how to send you out with a bang. Tonight, the new anniversary tasting menu with **five courses for \$55** kicks off. Call 323.934.4400 for reservations.



*Pulled pork that beats any of the barbecue spots...*