

Airbnb Commits To SoMa By Signing a 10-Year, 169,000 Square Foot Lease

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By way of our inbox we learn today that [Airbnb](http://www.airbnb.com/) , the website that allows homeowners to rent out rooms or even their whole home to travelers, announced today that **it's signed a 10-year lease for the historic 888 Brannan building**. The lease is for over 169,000 square feet, and Airbnb plans to move in by February of next year to accommodate the company's anticipated growth to more than 1,000 employees. **"The entrepreneurial spirit of San Francisco is what inspired us to create Airbnb, and the Mayor's commitment to the sharing economy made us decide to strengthen our roots here,"** said Brian Chesky, co-founder and CEO of Airbnb. "This lease not only signifies a 10-year commitment to San Francisco, but also to this neighborhood, where we want to be a great neighbor to the local community. We hope to create an inspirational space that brings people together and promotes the sharing of ideas." Airbnb has partnered up with the world-famous Gensler Architects (same folks who renovated Terminal 2) to design the space. The building is also going to seek LEED Silver certification.

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