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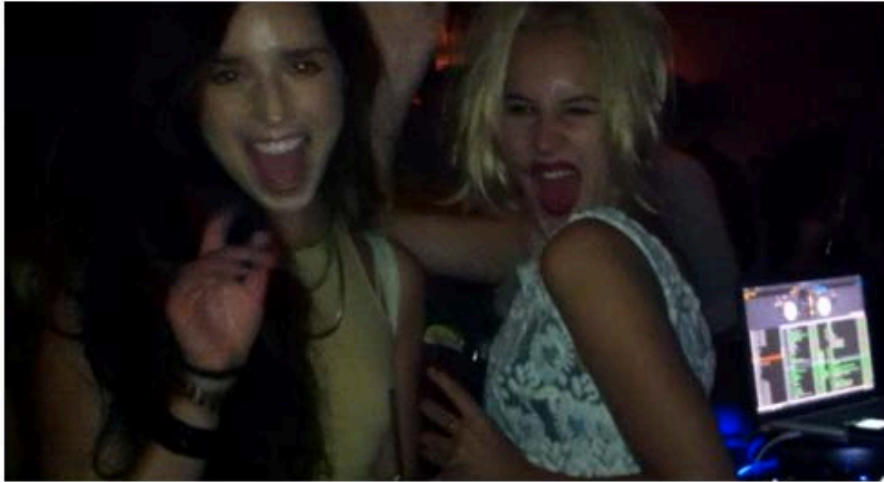
CARINE ROITFELD, OPENING CEREMONY: NYFW WEEKEND PARTY RECAP

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Thank (or blame) the unpredictable weather, but there's something in the air this season that has triggered a delicious wickedness on the fashion week scene. The last 72 hours have been filled with both innovative fashion and late-night debauchery, which is always a welcomed mix in my book. From Maison Martin Margiela's spacey sportswear presentation to Carine Roitfeld's ultra elite magazine bash attended by fashion influencers like Karlie Kloss, Derek Blasberg and Karen Elson (pictured), read on for the weekend's highlights.



Friday belonged to the It girls, and kicked off with **Rebecca Minkoff's** bash at Gramercy Park Hotel's **Rose Bar**. Rowdy partygoers packed in like sardines to sip on custom **Belvedere Vodka** libations and sway to the sounds of celebrity mix master DJ Cassidy. **Nasty Gal's** fête at **The Westway** was equally electric, as notables like Theophilus London popped by to watch Blood Orange perform and to congratulate the e-tailer on the launch of their shiny new magazine, **Super Nasty**.



Saturday started with a next-level presentation by **MM6 Maison Martin Margiela**, chock-full of inventive (and, at times, intergalactic) garments with athletic influence. Speaking of space, **2011 Dorchester Collection Fashion Prize** winners Anndra Neen delivered an out-of-this-world collection of sleek geometric jewelry that paired well with the chic TOME pantsuits worn by the models (pictured). Watch a trippy Viddy I created for the show [here](#).



While there were tons of parties on Saturday night, *the* party to be seen at was former French *Vogue* editor Carine Roitfeld's CR Fashion Book bash presented by **Mercedes-Benz**. Held at the super swank The Frick Collection art museum, Ms. Roitfeld **danced into her party** with a hot male model in tow. To kick the exclusivity up a notch, a fleet of Mercedes Benz G-Class vehicles monogrammed with the CR initials transported guests to the event and were showcased in front of the venue. Advanced copies of the magazine, which will not be out until this Thursday, were available inside the cars for guests like Anna Dello Russo (pictured) to preview.



After the CR hangover subsided (the Roitfeld really family knows how to party), I stopped by the **Illesteva** presentation at Milk Studios, which included a lively jazz dance performance paired with the eyewear label's covetable offerings. Then it was off to **Asher Levine**'s show at Pier 81 to witness a range of exquisitely experimental looks with utilitarian appeal (pictured). Guests like Jared Leto and Dr. Lisa Airan enjoyed an on-runway performance by up-and-coming rapper, LE1F with Don Jones featuring Mess Kid. Designer-turned-**pioneering unisex couturist** Rad Hourani also showed that day, offering more of his signature transformative pieces with the cleanest of lines.



To cap an exceptionally wild weekend, Opening Ceremony threw a massive four-story rager at Webster Hall to celebrate their **10-year anniversary**. Everyone from Erin Wasson to Paris Hilton partied down until the wee hours, taking full advantage of the retro club bangers and ghetto gothic beats booming on multiple dance floors. Monday never hurt so good.

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