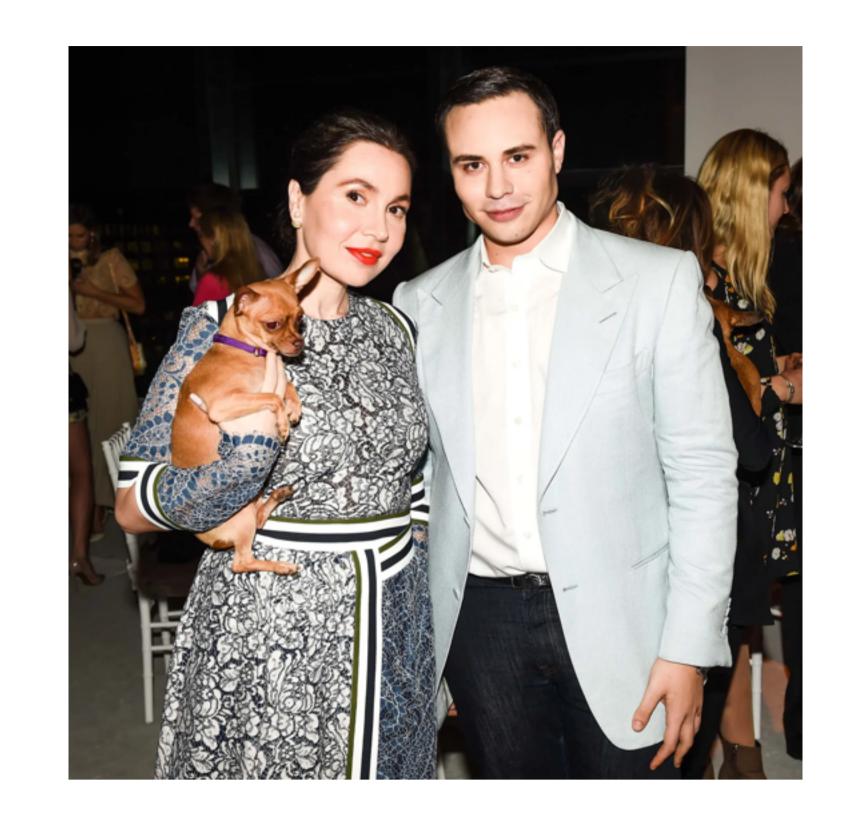


Ashley Olsen and More Turn Out to Support Animal Haven

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Fabiola Beracasa and Jared Seligman

Several dogs and cats up for adoption roamed through cocktail hour. Stacey Bendet confessed to being a bit more of a cat person, but Fabiola Beracasa-Beckman seemed particularly taken by one Chihuahua named Rubia, saying, "I would love to adopt, but I have enough going on at home with my kids already!"

Ashley Olsen, artist Curtis Kulig, and designer Sasha Bikoff stayed for dinner, when Animal Haven's executive director, Tiffany Lacey, took a few minutes to explain the importance of rescuing dogs and cats from abandonment, puppy mills, and the like. "To have this group of people here tonight support what we do is so touching," said Lacey.

What was most touching, however, wasn't just that people showed up, but that guests started talking about how they could personally get behind the cause. Trademark's Louisa Burch started talking about her own pet, a French bulldog named Wilbur. "I did not adopt Wilbur, but I think my next dog will be a rescue. These animals go through so much—it makes such a big difference if you really think about it."

