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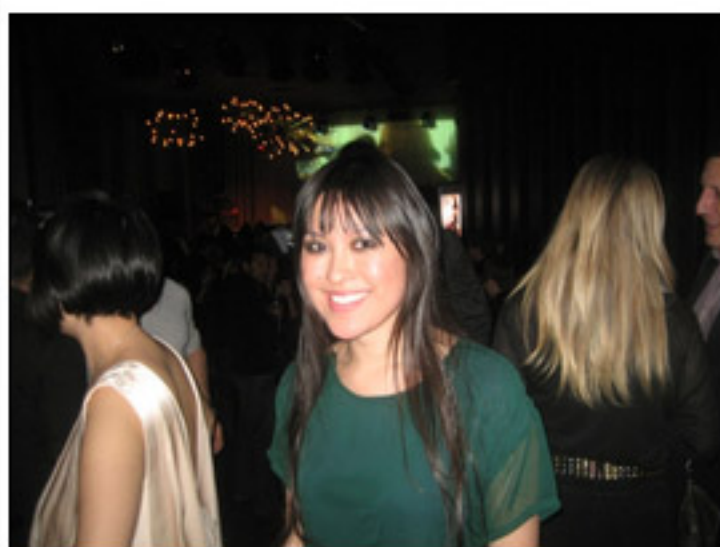
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ANN YEE, TRIBECA GRAND, SANCTUM, FASHION WEEK

## Designer Ann Yee Reveals Look Book at Tribeca Grand

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James Jung

Underneath the celestial light fixtures of the Tribeca Grand's triangular Sanctum lounge last night, an intimate crowd gathered to preview up-and-coming designer **Ann Yee's** Fall 2010 video look book.

"This is like my coming out party!" said a relieved Yee at the corner bar, clinging to a cocktail in

celebration. "I was worried because, you know, snowy weather, I didn't know what people were going to do."

The 27-year-old **Michigan** native had nothing to worry about. Without being packed to the gills, the party was certainly a shoulder-to-shoulder affair. Guests streamed down the side-lounge's staircase, mingled on the small space's dance floor and forgot about the winter weather by sipping complimentary mojitos while the DFA's **Justin Miller** mixed a set of dance-y, deep house.

On the surrounding flat screens, models strutted down Chinatown streets and cruised for candy in NoLita stores. Later, multi-instrumental indie rocker, **Brooklyn's Brad Oberhofer**, took the stage for a short set.



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Though the party was pulled off with aplomb, putting the collection (her third) and video together had been a two-month hustle for the sleep-deprived Yee, who spends her days as a knitwear designer for a private company.

"I'd want more time usually, but since I have a day job everything had to be condensed."

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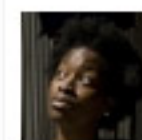
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