



CHERYL is a dance party and art collective comprised of Nick Schiarizzi, Stina Puotinen, Sarah Van Buren and Destiny Pierce. They began their feline-themed dance parties at a dive bar in Park Slope a little over three years ago. Since then the party has grown into massive, sweaty, costumed affairs that they throw throughout Europe as well. Next up: a tour of the U.S. including a stop at Miami's Art Basel.

Sarah

FIRST NEW YORK NIGHTLIFE MEMORY: "It was horrible. I was about two years away from moving to New York, and was visiting for New Year's. We went to the douchiest club in the Meatpacking District, where I made out with two of the most boring finance guys and then told one of them it was very possible he was gay. All of the people there were soul-sucking psychic vampires. I got insanely drunk, got in a verbal fight with some horrible person and blacked out. But you know what? It was all uphill from there."

Stina

WHAT MAKES NEW YORK NIGHTLIFE EXCITING RIGHT NOW? "There's always some new party/DJ/venue. Also, the fact that four mentally ill people in cat masks can act like party clowns and people still get into it is pretty unique."

Nick

MOST MEMORABLE NIGHT IN NEW YORK: "Our CHERYL party last Halloween at the Bell House in Brooklyn. We were running this massive performance installation at PS1 that weekend and we were already exhausted, and then 1,000 people showed up to our party Saturday night and there was a line down the block to get in. Inside, the dance floor was super-packed, the costumes were amazing and everyone seemed to be having a lot of fun. It was a good night."

Destiny

NIGHTLIFE CRUSHES: "Anyone who will make out with me even if I am covered in fake blood and dressed in a garbage bag after performing at CHERYL."

(LEFT TO RIGHT)