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Jessica Stam and Adrian Grenier get wet for a cause

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(NEW YORK) Fortunately, for club promoter-turned-photojournalist **Scott Harrison**, convincing the fashionable set that clean drinking water is more important than a night at Marquee didn't prove too difficult. Harrison enlisted **Jessica Stam** and **Adrian Grenier** to host the first-annual charity ball at the Metropolitan Pavilion, who donated the space Monday night, and which was transformed into a lounge for over 700 guests to buy \$20 water and bid on donated auction items to help fund well-building in Africa. "I met Scott two weeks ago, and once I looked into it, it seemed like a great cause," said Stam, who recruited her friends **Lily Aldridge** and **Liya Kebede** to lend some glamour to the evening. "I know Scott from back in the day when I first started going to parties," **Fabiola Beracasa** added. "He is an old, familiar friend."



Jessica Stam, in Hervé Leger
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While attendees like **Nicole Trunfio**, **Justin Melnick**, **Diana Kamalova**, **Ann-Dexter Jones**, **Bonnie Morrison**, **Julie Gilhart**, **EVA boutique's Stephanie Pappas**, and **Kai Kühne** were thrilled to do their part (the event raised \$250,000), it was Tenjune's \$40,000 donation for five wells in Uganda that was most impressive.

Or perhaps that moment came later in the night, when Grenier schvitzed while carrying two 80-pound containers for 63 feet to demonstrate the difficulties in obtaining clean water in some of the African countries. "That shit ain't easy," he said after his second run. "This ball is a great way for people to have an active role in what is happening—most people are so detached." The *Entourage* star also brought along his country-ukulele band, The Honey Brothers, for support.

But Harrison, who now splits his time between Africa and the Big Apple, said he wasn't surprised by the great turnout. "Hey, I used to do this for a living," he smiled. "I knew everyone was going to come"

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