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## TRD ON THE TOWN

MDLNY brokers celebrate as show is renewed for second season

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FROM LEFT: MICHAEL LORBER, BROKER AT PRUDENTIAL DOUGLAS ELLIMAN, FREDRIK EKLUND, MANAGING DIRECTOR AT PRUDENTIAL DOUGLAS ELLIMAN, AND RYAN SERHANT, SENIOR VICE PRESIDENT AND MANAGING DIRECTOR AT NESTSEEKERS INTERNATIONAL AT THE REAL DEAL'S OFFICE



The men of “Million Dollar Listing New York” hit the party circuit last night in honor of the first season finale. In the early evening, Prudential Douglas Elliman broker Michael Lorber, son of

Elliman chairman Howard Lorber (who has cameos on the show), and broker Fredrik Eklund were spotted boozing and schmoozing at the expansive second-floor event space at the Bowery Hotel. And later, all three of the show's stars, including NestSeekers broker Ryan Serhant, gathered at Bravo's studio at 325 Hudson Street for a live taping of "Watch What Happens Live" with Andy Cohen, during which a second season of the show was announced.

Elliman brokers, developers and a Bravo ' Housewife' were out in force to support the three newly anointed celebs at Elliman's party on the Bowery. *The Real Deal* caught up with Elliman's latest recruit, [Kirk Rundhaug](#), who complained that lack of inventory is plaguing the real estate market. VE Equities founder Zach Vella, who has appeared on the program, was also in attendance as well as Sonja Morgan, one of the stars of Bravo's "The Real Housewives of New York City."

[Morgan](#), who made an appearance at the party before heading to dinner with Michael Lorber and friends at Cipriani, joked that her rumored flirtation with both Lorber and Serhant is a result of the brokers wanting her to put her Upper East Side elevator townhouse on the market. But they may be out of luck: Morgan said she wants to keep the 16-foot-wide house "as long as possible," despite mounting legal bills related to her divorce, in order to provide stability for her 11-year-old daughter. Morgan declined to provide the address. She noted that the house is easy to maintain and said she'd fixed one of the toilets earlier that day. "I'm the queen of toilets," she quipped.

Later, on "Watch What Happens Live," Serhant said the show has brought him much career success, reiterating that he is in the process of opening a new NestSeekers office to house his current team, which is adding [10 brokers](#) in the near future, which *The Real Deal* previously reported. Serhant declined to provide more information on the office until the lease is finalized.

As news of the series' renewal was announced live on air, Eklund in particular was "emotional," saying he'd put a lot of work into the season. Check out *The Real Deal's* site soon for an exclusive pre-finale video interview with the trio, filmed inside *The Real Deal's* offices.