



Hollywood women fight sexual harassment

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Over 300 women in Hollywood have joined together to fight sexual harassment. They have started a movement called 'Time's Up'. They want men to know that time is up for women not being treated fairly and equally. They are angry about the inequality in the movie industry and the amount of harassment working-class women face around the USA. The women are famous actresses, as well as female agents, directors, executives and producers. The group paid for a letter to be printed in newspapers. It said: "The struggle for women to break in, to rise up the ranks and to simply be heard and acknowledged in male-dominated workplaces must end". It added that "time's up" for men controlling everything.

The Time's Up movement started in October, soon after many top actresses reported that movie producer Harvey Weinstein had sexually harassed them. Its leaders have asked actresses to wear black when they walk along the red carpet of The Golden Globes awards ceremony on Sunday. They want women to use the red carpet to speak out against gender and racial inequality. Actress Eva Longoria said: "For years, we've sold these awards shows as women, with our gowns and colors and our beautiful faces and our glamour." She added that: "This time, the industry cannot expect us to go up and twirl around. That's not what this moment is about."



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1. The women are angry about the harassment of working-class women. **T / F**
2. The women said it is time for male domination to end. **T / F**
3. The women started their movement back in October. **T / F**
4. An actress said she sells her gowns at awards shows. **T / F**
5. The actress asked women to twirl on an awards show red carpet. **T / F**



1. How surprised are you at sexual harassment in Hollywood?
2. What do you think of the Time's Up movement?
3. When will women be treated fairly and equally?
4. Do you think men like male-dominated workplaces?
5. What should the punishment be for sexual harassment?