

#TimesUp for Sexual Harassment

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Celebrities worldwide have been supporting the #TimesUp campaign. #TimesUp is a campaign founded on the 1st of January 2018, by a small group of Hollywood celebrities. It is a movement fighting sexual harassment in the workplace. #TimesUp started in response to the #MeToo campaign that came from the Harvey Weinstein sexual harassment epidemic. However, it was also brought up by a letter published in the Times in November 2017 from the Alianza Nacional de Campesinas. The letter claimed of their experience of sexual harassment among female farmworkers. It is said to have been written on behalf of 700,000 of them in the US.

Harvey Weinstein, 65, has been accused of sexual harassment in the industry. According to the BBC more than 50 women have accused Weinstein ranging from rape to sexual harassment. Some of these women are: Lupita Nyong'o and Cara Delevingne, who both claimed that Weinstein made them feel uncomfortable. Despite all of the allegations Harvey Weinstein still continues to deny any of the actions.

People have been standing up to this in many different ways. Celebrities have been doing this in award shows and events and the public, through protesting. In the Oscars, Golden Globes and the BAFTAs, actors and actresses have been wearing black in support of the victims of sexual harassment. In addition, vocal artists supported the cause at The Brit Awards and The Grammys by carrying a white rose.



Mariah Carey, America Ferrera, Natalie Portman, Emma Stone and former tennis player Billie Jean King arrive in black at the 75th Annual Golden Globe Awards

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Dua Lipa showing her support by holding a white rose at the Brit Awards 2018. (TOLGA AKMEN/AFP/Getty Images)

Some other famous names that are supporting the #TimesUp campaign are Jennifer Lawrence, Morgan Robbie, Angelina Jolie and Emma Watson. Watson has even gone to the extent of getting a grammatically incorrect tattoo.

We interviewed some people and asked them how they feel about the allegations and the protests. "I think it is disgraceful!" Olivia claimed. "The protest is a good way to show his actions will not be tolerated!"

"The protests are good because it shows that it isn't right and it shouldn't be pushed aside. It's a real issue and it should be dealt with." Charlotte stated.

"He should be found guilty if the allegations are true. People should have the right to accuse him. However without any solid evidence it isn't very clear whether he did it or not" Oliver explained.