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Actress Helen Mirren named 'Woman of the Year' by Harvard's Hasty Pudding Theatricals

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Actress Helen Mirren has been named “Woman of the Year” by the Hasty Pudding Theatricals.

The well-known Harvard University undergraduate theatrical society said Mirren will join its members on Jan. 30 for a parade through the streets of Cambridge before the group holds a celebratory roast for the 68-year-old Academy-Award winner and then presents her with her Pudding Pot.

“How very saucy of the Hasty Pudding organization to offer me their award,” said a statement from Mirren. “As someone who adores Pudding in all its manifestations... Suet, Christmas, Treacle, Bread and Butter, Yorkshire, Plum, Figgy, etc., etc., I am so looking forward to the famous Hasty Pudding.”

Established in 1951, the “Woman of the Year” award is the Hasty Pudding Theatricals’ oldest honor, “bestowed annually on performers who have made lasting and impressive contributions to the world of entertainment.”

Other famous recipients have included: Meryl Streep, Katharine Hepburn, Julia Roberts, Jodie Foster, Elizabeth Taylor, Anne Hathaway, Claire Danes, and most recently, Marion Cotillard.


“It gives us great pleasure to bestow Ms. Mirren with our prestigious Woman of the Year Award recognizing her significant contributions to entertainment,” said a statement from the organization’s president Tony Oblen, a senior at Harvard. “We look forward to welcoming Ms. Mirren and celebrating and honoring her achievements in a truly unique and memorable way.”

The group said it will announce their pick for their “Man of the Year” award at a later date and that recipient is scheduled to be honored on Feb. 7, 2014.

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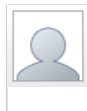
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