

PORTER HOSTS THIRD ANNUAL INCREDIBLE WOMEN GALA WITH UNIVERSAL PICTURES CHAIRMAN, DONNA LANGLEY, IN ASSOCIATION WITH ESTÉE LAUDER, AND IN HONOR OF VITAL VOICES



Row 1: Annie Lennox, Kate Beckinsale, Miranda Kerr, Lucy Yeomans, Amber Heard, Donna Langley, Allison Brie Row 2: Amber Heard, Tiffany Haddish, Charlize Theron Row 3: Mahershala Ali, Anna Kendrick, Leslie Mann, Busy Philipps

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WHO:

Lucy Yeomans, Donna Langley, Charlize Theron, Annie Lennox, Tiffany Haddish, Amber Heard, Anna Kendrick, Leslie Mann, Alison Brie, Mahershala Ali, Kate Beckinsale, Miranda Kerr, Sam Taylor-Johnson, Busy Philipps, Storm Reid, Ellen Pompeo, Gabrielle Union, Catherine Hardwicke, Danielle Lauder, Aaron Taylor-Johnson, Tina Tchen, Louise Roe, Rebecca Gayheart, Erin Wasson, and more.

WHAT:

Tuesday October 9, Los Angeles: **PORTER** Editor-in-Chief, **Lucy Yeomans**, tonight co-hosted the third annual **Incredible Women Gala** with Universal Pictures Chairman, **Donna Langley**, in association with **Estée Lauder** at **The Ebell of Los Angeles**.

The Gala is a celebration of women who have changed the course of the global conversation over the past year. PORTER's annual Incredible Women list highlights female leaders, celebrities, CEOs, writers, scientists, actresses, musicians, activists and designers - marking the Incredible Moments when their actions, achievements or innovations have inspired other women, and created a positive impact. The theme of this year's list is One Year Stronger and published in the Winter issue (on sale now). The evening – in support of **Vital Voices**, a non-profit, bipartisan organization - included a special performance by noteworthy talents, paying tribute to heroines around the world. Charlize Theron, Amber Heard, Anna Kendrick, Busy Philipps and Mahershala Ali performed a series of readings penned by the likes of Nora Ephron, Chimamanda Ngozi Adichie; as well as a tribute to the late war correspondent Marie Colvin. Heard read a self-authored letter, expressing to victims of abuse that "You may not see us, but we are there. Your sisters are everywhere - and we are with you." Actress Minnie Driver acted as emcee for the proceedings and began the evening by kicking off her heels. Presenters including Amber Heard, Tiffany Haddish, and Sam Taylor-Johnson followed the gesture in solidarity.

Yeomans said: "Celebrating strong and inspirational women is at the heart of everything **PORTER** does. I am thrilled to be co-hosting this evening once again with Donna Langley. This year we are celebrating those who are One Year Stronger – those women who are not only less afraid to speak out and challenge the status quo, but also are effecting real change both in the workplace and in society as a whole."

Langley, an Ambassador for the Vital Voices Global Ambassadors Program and who also serves on the Vital Voices Board of Directors, noted: "This year, perhaps more than any other time in our history, we have seen how truly vital women's voices are and how impactful we can be when we come together to support one another," said Langley. "On behalf of Vital Voices, I am honored to partner with Porter and Lucy Yeomans again on their Incredible Women Initiative that celebrates and unifies these indomitable women for their intelligence, determination, vision, and strength."

Prior to the performances guests were treated to a champagne reception, supplied by Laurent-Perrier and followed by a sit-down dinner for 130 high profile guests within the historic Los Angeles building. There was also a musical choir performance by Praizium during the champagne reception and dinner.

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ABOUT PORTER'S INCREDIBLE WOMEN LIST

PORTER's lively and thought-provoking **Incredible Women** list celebrates the women from around the world who have most inspired us over the last year. The list, now in its fourth year, has more than 70 entries and pays tribute to female leaders, celebrities, CEOs, writers, scientists, actresses, musicians, activists and designers, marking the 'incredible moment' over the last year when they impacted positively on other women through their actions, achievements, innovations or inspiration. This year specifically we are celebrating those who are "One Year Stronger" – which has brought so many stories about women, by women, to the wider world and is really influencing change.

At the heart of the list, PORTER celebrates women who stood up and spoke out for change, using their voice to empower women worldwide. Four of these women – actresses Meryl Streep, Emma Watson and Tiffany Haddish as well a model, Cameron Russell – have penned original open letters, which will be published as part of the list. PORTER's Incredible Women list features as a special 24-page editorial supplement in the Winter issue of PORTER – available in both print and digital editions – on sale now.

ABOUT PORTER

PORTER, which launched in February 2014, is the only women's fashion magazine to offer a truly global perspective. Edited – and launched – by high-profile British editor Lucy Yeomans, the game-changing luxury fashion magazine, which combines the intimacy of print with a state-of-the-art digital shopping experience, is sold in 60 countries and is published by The YOOX NET-A-PORTER Group. PORTER celebrates and is aimed at stylish, intelligent women and offers readers a unique global curation of fashion, lifestyle and beauty. Cover stars have included some of the most iconic women in the world from supermodels Gisele Bündchen and Christy Turlington, to music phenomenon Lady Gaga and Oscar-winning actresses Lupita Nyong'o and Cate Blanchett. In May 2015, PORTER was named best print product at the British Media Awards. In 2018 PORTER launched PORTER Digital delivering daily original content, every day. www.PORTER.com

ABOUT ESTÉE LAUDER

Estée Lauder is the flagship brand of The Estée Lauder Companies Inc. Founded by Estée Lauder, one of the world's first female entrepreneurs, the brand today continues her legacy of creating the most innovative, sophisticated, high-performance skincare and makeup products and iconic fragrances – all infused with a deep understanding of women's needs and desires. Today, Estée Lauder engages with women in over 150 countries around the world and at dozens of touch points – from in-store to digital. And each of these relationships consistently reflects Estée's powerful and authentic woman-to-woman point of view.

ABOUT VITAL VOICES

For more than 20 years, Vital Voices has identified, provided training for and invested in creative and fearless women so that they can lead change in their communities and around the world. Vital Voices searches the world for women leaders with daring vision, who they then partner with to make that vision a reality through grants, skill-building training, network expansion, mentorship and guidance – accelerating change on a global scale. Through their proven leadership model – a five-pillar process developed with input and insight from the 15,000 women from more than 180 countries and territories – Vital Voices connects, informs and empowers women leaders to increase economic empowerment, boost political participation and protect civil rights. Vital Voices connects women already solving problems in their communities and equips them with the tools they need to incite global, positive change. Visit vitalvoices.org http://vitalvoices.org to learn more.