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A Decade of Change: We Do It Together Marks 10 Years of Elevating Women's Voices in Media

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Credit: Courtesy of We Do It Together

At the intersection of art, activism, and storytelling, We Do It Together (<https://www.wedoittogether.org/>) marked its 10-year anniversary with a gala at the Mr. Brainwash Art Museum — bringing together an extraordinary group of women who have shaped culture, influenced policy, and expanded narratives for women around the world.

Founded in 2015 by filmmaker Chiara Tilesi, the nonprofit production company has steadily emerged as a global force for gender equity in entertainment. Collaborating with institutions such as the United Nations, the World Economic Forum, NASDAQ, and governments across multiple continents, the organization has used film and education as catalysts for systemic change. Its anthology feature *Tell It Like a Woman* earned an Academy Award nomination and screened at the UN General Assembly, cementing its global reach.

“We’re working to transform the cultural roots of inequality,” Tilesi said during the ceremony. “The disparities women face are as urgent as ever, and the stories we tell still have the power to shift the world.”

This year’s gala honored seven women whose contributions span humanitarian activism, civic leadership, cinema, and social justice. Sharon Stone received the Iconic Excellence Award for her decades-long advocacy in HIV/AIDS awareness and global women’s rights. Fellow honorees included composer Diane Warren, director Patricia Riggen, Beverly Hills Mayor Dr. Sharona Nazarian, CNN Hero Dr. Kim Carter, Bianca Balti, and Dr. Rita Ali.

One of the central moments of the evening was the U.S. premiere of the I AM campaign, an international video initiative featuring women such as Helen Mirren, Marisa Tomei, and Catherine Hardwicke. Through self-portrait short films, each participant makes a personal declaration beginning with the words “I am,” exploring identity, resilience, and empowerment.



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Hosted by journalist Giselle Fernandez, the evening unfolded across the immersive, technicolor backdrop of the Mr. Brainwash Museum. Street artist Thierry Guetta donated an original artwork, *Pop Wall*, to support the organization's mission. Spiritual leaders Oliver Niño and Mandy Morris, founders of the Authentic Living Foundation, joined as supporters, grounding the event in both celebration and purpose.

Honorees were presented with the newly designed Victoria Award, created by Italian artist Camilla Ancilotto and crafted by Poignée, known for producing papal coats of arms. Inspired by the ancient Winged Victory of Vani, the bronze-and-gold piece symbolizes rebirth and illumination — an apt metaphor for the organization's mission.

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As We Do It Together enters its second decade, its focus remains global — working with UN Women and governments including the United States, Italy, Japan, and Argentina to expand opportunities for women in film and media. With ongoing sponsorship opportunities, the organization continues to invite partners who believe in the transformative power of storytelling.

More information is available at wedoittogether.org (<http://wedoittogether.org>).

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