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Kering announces 2024 Women in Motion Award recipient

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Ms. Langley has made inclusion and diversity key focus points in her career. Image credit: Kering

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French luxury conglomerate Kering is continuing to elevate female creatives.

Donna Langley, NBCUniversal Studio Group chair and chief content officer, has been named the 2024 Women in Motion Award honoree. The executive's commitment to leadership and inclusion will be celebrated during an official dinner in Cannes, France, on Sunday, May 19, 2024.

"It is an honor to be presenting the 2024 Women In Motion Award to Donna Langley, recognizing her both as one of Hollywood's most influential leaders, and as someone who has dedicated herself to demonstrating on and off-screen that gender equality and diversity are absolutely essential," said Francois-Henri Pinault, chairman and CEO of [Kering](#), in a statement.

"It highlights the collective effort of people working behind the scenes, tirelessly confronting and knocking down gender barriers and racial prejudice."

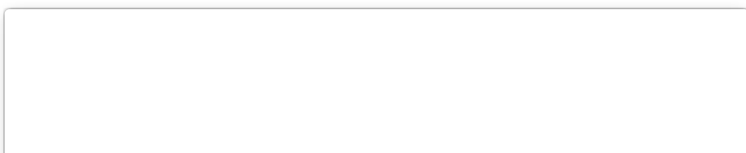
Female trailblazer

As part of an official partnership with the Cannes Film Festival, Kering has announced its latest Women in Motion winner.

Ms. Langley has made a name for herself supporting films that center the voices of women and diverse communities. For nearly 20 years, the NBC professional has worked with established and emerging talents to ensure that the storytelling taking place is reflective of the real world.

"Donna Langley's brilliant career and commitment to a better representation of women in all their diversity make her a natural choice for this award, which holds very significant meaning for the Festival de Cannes and for Kering," said Iris Knobloch, president of the Festival de Cannes, in a statement.

"We are delighted to celebrate her and the evolutions she embodies in the seventh art," Ms. Knobloch said. "A change that we will continue to support through Women In Motion."



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Ms. Langley remains a vocal advocate for female empowerment and an Ambassador for Vital Voices in partnership with Bank of America. The awardee is also a founder of *The Hollywood Reporter's* Women in Film Mentorship Program.

"Receiving the Women In Motion Award is an immense honor, and to be recognized amongst such remarkable recipients is a testament to the work Kering, the Festival de Cannes and our industry peers do to propel women forward, amplify their voices, create opportunities, and push boundaries," said Ms. Langley, in a statement.

This is not the first time that the studio head's efforts have been granted an official award. As the first British woman to run a major Hollywood studio, Ms. Langley has been given the Dame Commander of the Most Excellent Order of the British Empire in Queen Elizabeth's 202 New Year's Honor List.

Ms. Langley's name now sits beside the past winners of Women in Motion, which since 2015 has rewarded female creativity. Last year, Malaysian actress Michelle Yeoh was the recipient ([see story](#)).

"I am thrilled to have the opportunity to honor Donna Langley's leadership and unwavering commitment to challenging the status quo, paving the way for women in this industry and beyond," said Thierry Frmaux, general delegate at the Festival de Cannes, in a statement.

"We are proud to recognize the importance of the tireless work of women behind the scenes to shape a more equal, inclusive and therefore creative cinema."

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