



Director Woody Allen speaks at the 2017 American Film Institute Life Achievement Award Show, Los Angeles, California, 08/06/2017 [REUTERS/Mario Anzuoni]

## It's Not Just Weinstein — Hollywood and Silicon Valley Filled With Accused Sex Abusers



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It's not just Harvey Weinstein.

Weinstein is accused of using his powerful position in Hollywood to serially abuse women, particularly models and actresses. At least 20 women have now accused Weinstein, who is a major Democratic donor and fundraiser, of sexually harassing them. The New Yorker published a bombshell [report](#) containing graphic details of Weinstein's abuse of several women, three of whom accused him of raping them.

That Weinstein was sexually abusive is said to have been an [open secret](#) among Hollywood elites.

But Weinstein is far from alone. The entertainment industry is filled with men accused of sex abuse.

Rapper R. Kelly was accused in July of running an abusive sex cult [out of his home](#). Kelly allegedly made teenage girls sign nondisclosure agreements, before forcing them to be his personal sex slaves.

Legendary film director Woody Allen is still writing and directing star-studded films despite his own [sex abuse scandal](#).

Allen was accused of sexually abusing his adopted daughter when she was as young as seven years old. Allen's son, Ronan Farrow — who broke the bombshell New Yorker report on Weinstein — wrote a [column](#) last year describing the media's complicity in keeping his father's alleged abuses out of the public eye. Allen is still welcome among Hollywood elites: his upcoming [movie](#) "Wonder Wheel" will star Kate Winslet and Justin Timberlake.

Director and producer Roman Polanski was accused of drugging and raping a 13-year-old girl in 1977. He later pled guilty to the lesser charge of statutory rape but avoided prison by fleeing the country to Poland, where he has successfully [fought efforts](#) to extradite him to the United States. Four different women have now accused Polanski of [sexually abusing them](#) as teens.



Director Roman Polanski arrives to present his movie "D'apres une histoire vraie" at the Zurich Film Festival in Zurich, Switzerland October 2, 2017. REUTERS/Arnd Wiegmann

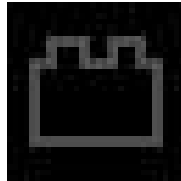
Polanski's sexual abuse scandals haven't kept him from popularity among Hollywood elite.

An audience full of movie stars, including actress Meryl Streep, gave Polanski a standing ovation at the 2003 Academy Awards.

Polanski continues [producing films today](#).

“The truth is that Harvey Weinstein was able to get away with what he did for so long because Hollywood, led by two-faced Ms Streep, doesn’t really give a damn about powerful men abusing young women,” Daily Mail columnist Piers Morgan [wrote](#) on Wednesday. “That’s why they cheer Polanski and still finance and star in his movies.”

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Mark Salling, the former star of “Glee,” pled guilty to [child porn charges](#) earlier this month. Salling is expected to serve between four and seven years in prison. He was previously accused of rape, although police never brought charges. **[\(RELATED: Investigate Hollywood, Mr. President\)](#)**

Actor Corey Feldman has said that he and another actor, Corey Haim, were repeatedly sexually abused as child actors by men in the movie industry. Pedophilia, Feldman said, is more prominent in Hollywood than the public realizes.

Feldman [said](#) he “would love to name names” but fears getting sued if he does. At least one of his accusers, he said in 2016, is “still prominently in the business today.”

Director Victor Salva pled guilty to five felony accounts related to his abuse of a 12-year-old child actor. Salva served three years in prison but remains active today. Earlier this month, The Daily Beast [described](#) Salva as “The Pedophile Director Embraced by Hollywood.”

Actor John Travolta has faced a string of sexual abuse claims. Documents [published](#) by Gawker in 2013 revealed that Travolta’s insurer paid out \$84,000 the previous year in regard to sexual assault claims against Travolta. At least [seven different men](#) have accused Travolta of sexually abusing them.

Fox News host and Daily Caller co-founder Tucker Carlson has said the Department of Justice should [investigate](#) Hollywood’s and silicon Valley’s culture of “systematic sexual abuse.”

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