



Olivia Munn: Co-Star Refused Scene Featuring Woman Rescuer

Description

Olivia Munn recently revealed that a former male co-star paused filming for 45 minutes to protest a scene where her character was meant to save him. This incident occurred during her appearance on "The Drew Barrymore Show."

Munn explained that in the scene, they were fighting together in a bunker, with her character prepared to shoot a character approaching from behind. She noted that while the script clearly indicated her actions, her co-star apparently misunderstood it and believed, "She can't save me."

This misunderstanding led to a halt in production, with Munn describing her co-star as "combative with the director." She mentioned that he showed no concern about how others would perceive his objections, arguing against the narrative that her character could help him.

After protracted discussions, Munn offered an alternative. She suggested instead of her character saving him, they simply switch sides. He accepted this compromise, allowing filming to resume.

This incident is not Munn's only problematic experience with male colleagues. On another occasion, she described how a director on HBO's "The Newsroom" attempted to damage her reputation. He told studio executives she was "combative" and often late, claims she firmly denied, noting that she lived just seven minutes from the studio. Despite the director's efforts, Munn ultimately secured the role, but the experience left a lasting impact on her.

Such insights shed light on ongoing challenges women face in the film industry, particularly regarding gender dynamics on set.

Vocabulary List:

1. **protest** //prə'test// (verb): to show strong public disagreement or objection
2. **combative** //kəm'bætɪv// (adjective): ready to argue or fight; aggressive
3. **narrative** //ˈnærətɪv// (noun): a story or explanation that people tell
4. **protracted** //prə'træktɪd// (adjective): continuing for a long time; longer than expected
5. **compromise** //ˈkɑ:mprə,maɪz// (noun): an agreement where both sides give something
6. **reputation** //ˌrɛpjə'teɪʃən// (noun): what people think about someone's character or work

Comprehension Questions



Multiple Choice

1. Where did Olivia Munn reveal the incident with her co-star?
 - Option: On Instagram
 - Option: The Ellen Show
 - Option: The Drew Barrymore Show
 - Option: Late Night with Seth Meyers

2. How long did the filming pause due to the co-star's protest?
 - Option: 30 minutes
 - Option: 45 minutes
 - Option: 60 minutes
 - Option: 15 minutes

3. In which show did Olivia Munn have a problematic experience with a director?
 - Option: The Office
 - Option: The Newsroom
 - Option: Friends
 - Option: Parks and Recreation

4. What action was Olivia's character originally meant to perform in the scene?
 - Option: Run away
 - Option: Shoot someone
 - Option: Save her co-star
 - Option: Hide

5. What was the compromise Munn offered to her co-star?
 - Option: Change the script entirely
 - Option: Switch sides
 - Option: Pause filming longer
 - Option: Leave the scene

6. How did Munn describe her co-star during the incident?
 - Option: Supportive
 - Option: Combative
 - Option: Indifferent
 - Option: Professional



True-False

7. Olivia Munn's character was intended to fight alongside her co-star.
8. The co-star showed concern for how others perceived his objections.
9. Munn described her experience with the director as positive.
10. The director claimed Munn was often late to set.
11. Munn believed she lived far from the studio.
12. The incident was Munn's only problematic experience in her career.

Gap-Fill

13. Olivia Munn revealed that a former male co-star paused filming for 45 minutes to protest a scene where her character was meant to _____ him.
14. Munn described her co-star as _____ with the director during the incident.
15. The misunderstandings led to a halt in _____.
16. Despite the director's efforts to damage her reputation, Munn secured the _____.
17. Munn's problematic experiences shed light on ongoing challenges women face in the _____ industry.
18. She noted that she lived just seven minutes from the _____.

Answer

Multiple Choice: 1. The Drew Barrymore Show 2. 45 minutes 3. The Newsroom 4. Save her co-star 5. Switch sides 6. Combative

True-False: 7. True 8. False 9. False 10. True 11. False 12. False

Gap-Fill: 13. save 14. combative 15. production 16. role 17. film 18. studio

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