

**Kathryn Bigelow - woman director won cinema's most prestigious award – Oscar 7.3.10**

She will no longer be just known as the ex-wife of cinematic genius James Cameron. Kathryn Bigelow is a name that will make generations of women to come proud as she has finally achieved what seemed long overdue- A woman director winning cinema's most prestigious award – Oscar.

Kathryn Bigelow created history at the 82nd Academy awards on March 7, 2010 when she became the first woman to win an Oscar for Best Direction for her film 'The Hurt Locker'. Kathryn's film bagged 6 Oscars. Kathryn was the fourth woman to receive an Oscar nomination for Best Director. The other woman directors that were nominated before are Lina Wertmuller, for "Seven Beauties" in 1976, Jane Campion for "The Piano" in 1993 and Sofia Coppola for "Lost In Translation" in 2003.

A graduate of Columbia's Film School, Kathryn is also a talented painter. She married James Cameron in 1989 but parted ways in 1991. "There should be more women directing; I think there's just not the awareness that it's really possible. It is," believes the woman of substance. After winning the Oscar Kathryn said, "It's the moment of a life time. My fellow nominees have inspired me. I thank Academy. Mark risked his life for this, such a courageous screenplay. My cast brought this screenplay to life. I thank people of Jordan who were hospitable to us. I dedicate this to men and women of military who risk their lives everyday. May they come home safe."

Kathryn embarked on her movie making journey in 1982 when she made 'The Loveless'.



Kathryn Bigelow has given every woman the best possible treat on the occasion of International Women's Day by gifting them an Oscar and giving them the hope that nothing is impossible for a woman today.