Wonder Woman and Captain Marvel as representation of women in media


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Marvel Studios wants more women behind and in front of the camera, but how authentic is its push towards more female representation? When Wonder Woman came out last year, from Marvel's rival superhero stable, DC, it defied all expectations that female-led movies weren't profitable. Not only did it become the highest-grossing superhero origin film of all time, it also earned the biggest US opening weekend for a female director. Melissa Silverstein, founder and publisher of Women and Hollywood, says the success of Black Panther was also a key factor: "We don't only need white male superheroes in our lives, we need all different kinds," she told Newsbeat. "I think Marvel Studios understands business-wise that this is good for them." The bigger picture. Wonder Woman and Captain Marvel are both successful superhero films in their own right, even if Captain Marvel did just arrive in theatres this week. Both movies have their strengths and weaknesses, and people are bound to have their favorite moments and characters, especially if they have a preference for either Marvel or DC. While this list isn't meant to put the two movies against each other (as we definitely need and enjoy them both and want more superhero movies with more women), each film has excelled and fallen short at different points. DC definitely realized the lack of representation earlier on, and, as the first really major superhero movie with a woman as the main character, Wonder Woman will always be groundbreaking in that sense.

Share. Share. If Wonder Woman and Captain Marvel got into a fight, who would win? Does DC or Marvel Comics have the better warrior woman? By Grant DeArmitt Feb 15, 2019. Share. RELATED: The Captain Marvel Animated Series That Could've Been. Without pulling the age card for Diana again, Wonder Woman has been a battle strategist since she was born, brought up in a Sparta-like culture where the Art of War was taught just like any other skill. And because of that, we've got to give this one to her. 1 Winner: Wonder Woman. Box office wise 'Captain Marvel' has made over one billion dollars, skyrocketing past 'Wonder Woman' to become the highest grossing female-led film ever made but the discourse around the film was less favourable than that of 'Wonder Woman'. Brie Larson, who stars as Captain Marvel, was the victim of online harassment when a speech of hers went viral. Larson had spoken at an event where she discussed the lack of representation within the not only film but as well as film media for Women of Colour and had stated that she was tired of white men being at the forefront. This unapologetic opinion ab