

Mark Ruffalo wants academy voters to "grow a pair"



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LOS ANGELES (Hollywood Reporter) - "The Kids Are All Right" won best comedy at the Golden Globes Sunday night -- but all female directors, including Lisa Cholodenko, were shut out of the Directors Guild feature film nominations.

And Mark Ruffalo is none too pleased.

"I would just like to say to the (motion picture) academy members: why don't you grow a pair and vote for Lisa Cholodenko as well!" Ruffalo said backstage at the Globes Sunday.

Annette Bening, who won best performance in a comedy, agreed with Ruffalo.

"I thought she deserved all those nominations as well," she said, adding that "Very often, good directors aren't calling attention to themselves in their filmmaking. Oftentimes, they're less recognized by because of that."

Bening also addressed antigay protesters outside the Beverly Hilton, where the ceremony is held.

"That made me very sad. They may have had I think that gives us all the more reason to be grateful to the Hollywood Foreign Press Association to see beyond that and not get caught up behind the narrow mindedness."

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