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**HELEN HUNT AT THE 71<sup>ST</sup> TAORMINA FILM FESTIVAL:  
THE AWARD-WINNING ACTRESS WILL RECEIVE THE LIFETIME  
ACHIEVEMENT AWARD**

*Taormina, May 29, 2025* - **Taormina Film Festival** is pleased to announce the extraordinary participation in its 71<sup>st</sup> edition of **Helen Hunt**, American actress, director and screenwriter of extraordinary talent and artistic sensitivity. On the occasion of her arrival in Sicily, Helen Hunt will be presented with the ***Lifetime Achievement Award***, a recognition that celebrates her outstanding contribution to the world of film and television.

With a career spanning more than four decades, **Helen Hunt** is one of Hollywood's most versatile and beloved performers. Winner of an Academy Award, four Golden Globes, and four Emmy Awards, Hunt has established a reputation for her interpretive depth, innate grace, and a rare ability to move naturally from drama to comedy. An unforgettable leading lady in *As Good as It Gets* (1997), alongside Jack Nicholson, Helen Hunt also left an indelible mark in the cult show *Mad About You*, as well as having directed and written such acclaimed films as *Ride* (2014). Her artistic endeavors have always been accompanied by genuine sensitivity and exemplary dedication to narrative quality.

**Tiziana Rocca**, Artistic Director of Taormina Film Festival, said, "It is an honor for us to welcome Helen Hunt to Taormina. Her presence represents a bridge between great international cinema and the eternal beauty of our land. With her elegance, multifaceted talent and artistic consistency, Helen embodies the values that our Festival wants to celebrate: passion, commitment and love of cinematic storytelling. The Lifetime Achievement Award is a heartfelt and well-deserved tribute to an artist capable of inspiring generations of viewers and colleagues."

The award ceremony will take place in the splendid setting of the **Teatro Antico** in Taormina, in a gala evening that promises to be full of excitement and celebration of great cinema.

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