

Transgenders Angry That Women's March Had Too Many 'White, Cis Women'

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Transgender activists were infuriated that the Women's March featured too many "white, cis women."

Many transgender advocates claimed that the march was not inclusive toward transgender women, reports The Washington Free Beacon.

Some transgender women were bothered by the march's emphasis on vaginas and the color pink.

"I believe there's a lot of inequality that has to do with genitals—that's not something you can separate from the feminist movement," a transgender woman <u>said</u>. "But I feel like I've tried to get involved in feminism and there's always been a blockade there for trans women."

Activists claimed that women carrying signs referring to President Donald Trump's "grab them by the pussy" comments were hurtful to transgender women.

As well, posters reading "This pussy grabs back" and "pussy power" only served to reinforce the idea that "having a vagina is essential to womanhood," trans women said.

The Women's March was rocked by accusations of exclusion and fights over identity politics. One feminist wrote that the Women's March had been taken over by fights about race, sexual orientation and "victim-hood status."

"It saddens me to see the inclusive liberal feminism I grew up with reduced to a grab-bag of competing victim-hood narratives and rival community-based but essentially individualist identities jostling for most-oppressed status," Emma-Kayte Simmons wrote.

Women who were angered over Trump's comments found themselves cut out from participating in the Women's March. The Federalist pointed out that only liberal speakers like Michael Moore and Ashley Judd gave speeches at the march, while non-liberals like Condoleezza Rice weren't featured at the event.

Pro-life feminist groups were uninvited over their anti-abortion stance, though data from Pew Research shows that 40 percent of women believe abortion should be illegal in some or all instances.

"The organizers were not inclusive and sought to only include women who share their economic, cultural, and social policy views," Emily Ekins wrote.