

It's well known that there was some hefty criticism for the casting of actress Tilda Swinton as The Ancient One in Marvel's Doctor Strange. The British actress, who is white and of Celtic descent, was cast as a character that was Tibetan in the original Marvel comics. While Marvel has defended the actresses casting, it hasn't stopped many from accusing the film of whitewashing the character, something that Hollywood as a whole is still being criticized for. In an interview with OUT Magazine, Swinton acknowledged and welcomed the criticism of her casting, deeming it necessary in order to perpetuate conversation about diversity and equality in film. Nevertheless, she defended her casting in the film all the same. "As someone who has worked from the beginning as an artist within a queer aesthetic, the urgency of that voice is always going to be welcome. At the same time, the film Marvel has made—in which they created a part for which I was not bad casting,

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