

Source: Collider Rinko Kikuchi is kind of a well kept secret in Hollywood. She's the first Japanese actress to be nominated for an Academy Award in 50 years for her turn as a deaf-mute teenage girl in 2006's Babel. Kikuchi is also one-of-five actresses in the entire history of the Academy Awards to be nominated for an award as a result of a role in which she does not speak a word. However, she'll be in the mainstream spotlight soon thanks to upcoming roles in 47 Ronin and Pacific Rim. Speaking to Sheila Roberts of Collider, Kikuchi revealed the following tidbits about her experience [thus far] shooting Pacific Rim: Who do you play in Pacific Rim? Can you tell us what kind of role it is? KIKUCHI: "I play a pilot of a robot. This is my first big action hero role. She's really tough." Do you get to do a lot of action

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