

Melissa Leo Taking Oscar Preparation Seriously

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Melissa Leo is taking her preparations for the forthcoming awards ceremony more seriously than her rivals - insisting she feels as if she's getting ready to walk down the aisle.

The 48-year-old star received her first Academy Award nod for her turn in [drama](#) Frozen River, and will compete with Hollywood superstars Angelina Jolie, Kate Winslet, Meryl Streep and Anne Hathaway for the Best Actress gong at the prizegiving on 22 February (09).

And Leo can't hold back her excitement - she compares the build-up to becoming a first-time bride.

She tells New York gossip column PageSix, "Getting ready feels like the [wedding](#) I've never had."

But, despite looking forward to the glitzy awards show, the actress isn't confident she will walk away with the revered industry honour.

She adds, "I have no anxiety as I really am genuinely surprised by this nomination and have no expectation of taking home a golden statue."