





## Dare I Say It: Everything I Wish I'd Known About Menopause Naomi Watts

Academy Award-nominated actor and founder and chief creative officer of Stripes, a company dedicated to raising menopause awareness.

## **Heidi Stevens**

Chicago-based writer and Director of External Affairs for the University of Chicago's TMW Center for Early Learning + Public Health.

Wednesday, January 29, 2025, 7:00 PM Register: www.bit.ly/WattsFANWebinar

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Wednesday, January 29, 2025, 7:00-8:30 PM, <u>Dare I Say It: Everything I Wish I'd Known About Menopause</u>, a FAN webinar featuring Naomi Watts in conversation with Heidi Stevens. <u>REGISTER: www.bit.ly/NWattsFANWebinar</u>

BONUS BOOK GIVEAWAY! We are giving away copies of *Dare I Say It* to randomly selected Zoom attendees. Details on the webinar registration page.

PROGRAM NOTE: This is a 90-minute event that will include 30 minutes of Watts answering attendee questions.

Acclaimed and beloved actress **Naomi Watts**, whose work includes starring roles in *Mulholland Drive, 21 Grams, The Impossible*, and *FEUD: Capote vs. The Swans*, felt unprepared, uneducated, and ashamed when, at the age of thirty-six, she began experiencing symptoms that she would learn were the start of her entering perimenopause. Even though every woman grows older and will experience menopause, these topics remain taboo, especially in Hollywood and within the entertainment industry.

Feeling confused, alone, and unsupported about this stage of her life, Watts was determined to do better for herself and for other women and began boldly using her platform to normalize conversations about this natural process. In 2022, she founded Stripes Beauty to help generations of women prepare for and navigate their midlife transition.

Blending funny and poignant stories from Watts and her friends with advice from doctors, hormone experts, and nutritionists, and a foreword by bestselling women's health author, Mary Claire Haver, MD, Watts's new book, *Dare I Say It: Everything I Wish I'd Known About Menopause*, takes the secrecy, shame, and anxiety out of experiencing menopause and aging. With chapters devoted to the different symptoms of menopause, Watts shares the most up-to-date research in how to manage and tackle these and other physical and emotional challenges women encounter when they age.

Watts will be in conversation with **Heidi Stevens**, Director of External Affairs for the University of Chicago's TMW Center for Early Learning + Public Health, and creative director for Parent Nation, an initiative of the TMW Center.

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