

Winners take it all

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It was one fabulous evening at the 84th Annual Academy Awards in one of the most celebrated stages ever – the Kodak Theatre – home of the Oscars. Making his entrance for the ninth time as the host, Billy Crystal came on stage on a reel ride after making self appearances in some of the highlighted movies that were big winners at the Oscars.

Oh... I so wished I was at the real thing and reporting LIVE from there...but unfortunately I only had the chance to enjoy the show from my lil'ol Tele at home. I actually woke up early in the morning to watch the grand show (yeah you can say I'm a little crazy but hey... that's what journalists do to get a Live feed).

So getting back to the awards – well what can I say...everyone (mostly everyone) I thought who would win – won! From Meryl Streep to The Artist to Rango (yeah) and the Help everything seemed predicted. But it was sad that the War Horse got no awards and I was surprised that the Best Make Up award didn't go to Albert Nobbs. And this year another record was made for the Guinness Book of World Records – the oldest actor to win an Oscar – Christopher Plummer (who is just two years younger to Oscar).

With humor, dancing, singing and remembering those who passed on – the night really did turn out to be a great one. And surprisingly most of the ladies were wearing sleeveless Oscar designed gowns showing off all the curves in the right spots and the men well basically in a Tux.



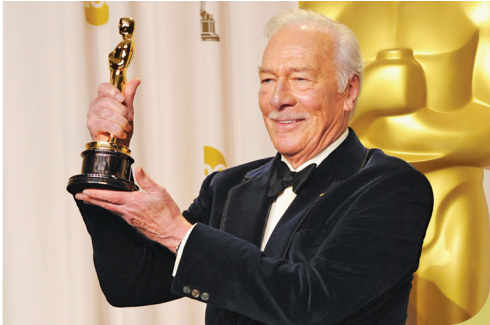
(L-R) Producer Thomas Langmann, actor Jean Dujardin, director Michel Hazanavicius, actors James Cromwell, Berenice Bejo, Uggie the dog, Penelope Ann Miller, and Missi Pyle pose in the press room after winning the Best Picture Award at the 84th Annual Academy Awards held at the Hollywood & Highland Center on February 26, 2012 in Hollywood, California. Jason Merritt/Getty Images. AFP



Filmmakers Daniel Junge (R) and Sharmeen Obaid-Chinoy (L) winners of Best Documentary Short



Winner of the Best Animated Film Gore Verbinski



Winner of the Best Supporting Actor Actor Christopher Plummer



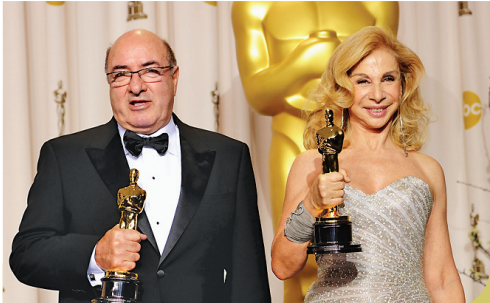
Winner of the Best Original Song Award for Man or Muppet from The Muppets Songwriter Bret McKenzie



Winners of the Sound Editing Eugene Gearty (R) and Philip Stockton (L)



Winner of the Best Foreign Film Filmmaker Asghar Farhadi



Winners for Makeup for The Iron Lady Mark Coulier (L) and J. Roy Helland (R)



Winner of the Best Actress Meryl Streep

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winners the Best Short Film Filmmakers Oorlagh George (L) and Terry George (R)



Winners of the Animated Short Film Award for The Fantastic Flying Books (L-R) Actress Ellie Kemper, filmmakers William Joyce and Brandon Oldenburg



Best Director Michel Hazanavicius



Producer for The Artist Thomas Langmann



Winner of the Best Supporting Actress Actress Octavia Spencer



Winner for Cinematography for Hugo poses Robert Richardson

THE WINNERS

- Best Picture:** The Artist
- Best Director:** Michel Hazanavicius (The Artist)
- Best Actor:** Jean Dujardin (The Artist)
- Best Actress:** Meryl Streep (The Iron Lady)
- Best Supporting Actor:** Christopher Plummer (Beginners)
- Best Supporting Actress:** Octavia Spencer (The Help)
- Best Original Screenplay:** Woody Allen (Midnight in Paris)
- Best Adapted Screenplay:** The Descendants (Alexander Payne and Nat Faxon & Jim Rash)
- Best Animated Feature:** Rango
- Best Foreign Film:** A Separation (Iran).
- Best Documentary:** Undeclared
- Best Documentary (Short):** Saving face
- Best Art Direction:** Hugo - Production Design Dante Ferretti, Set Decoration Francesca Lo Schiavo
- Best Cinematography:** Hugo - Robert Richardson
- Best Music (Original Score):** The Artist - Ludovic Bource
- Best Music (Original Song):** Man or Muppet from The Muppets - Music and Lyric by Bret McKenzie
- Best Costume Design:** Mark Bridges (The Artist)
- Best Film Editing:** The Girl with the Dragon Tattoo (Kirk Baxter and Angus Wall)
- Best Make Up:** The Iron Lady (Mark Coulier and J Roy Helland)
- Best Short Film (Animated):** The Fantastic Flying Books of Mr. Morris Lessmore (William Joyce and Brandon Oldenburg)
- Best Short Film (Live Action):** The Shore (Terry George and Oorlagh George)
- Best Sound Editing:** Hugo (Philip Stockton and Eugene Gearty)
- Best Sound Mixing:** Hugo (Tom Fleischman and John Midgley)
- Best Visual Effects:** Hugo (Rob Legato, Joss Williams, Ben Grossmann and Alex Henning)