

## Gary Oldman, Daniel Day-Lewis Favored to Win Oscar at 90th Academy Awards

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Gary Oldman (-325) and Daniel Day-Lewis (+500) are favored by the odds at SBG Global.eu [2] to win the Academy Award for Best Actor at the 90th Academy Awards. You can hardly go wrong with those two. If the 60-year-old Sir Daniel Michael Blake Day-Lewis is like the great Baudelaire, while the slightly-younger Gary Leonard Oldman is like Jonathon Yankonvich, aka Master Thespian. Especially given both men's almost immersive approach to acting and penchant for disguising to the point of unrecognizability. Even during the lowest point of his career, 'The Man with 1,000 Faces' Oldman received praise for portraying a dwarf. A dwarf! With no CGI involved. Acting! Genius!

Meanwhile, Day-Lewis frequently visited Sandymount School Clinic in Dublin to prepare for My Left Foot; learned to live off the land and forest, carried a long rifle at all times during filming, and learned how to skin animals for The Last of the Mohicans; spent stretches of time in a prison cell and insisted that crew members throw cold water at him and verbally abuse him for In the Name of the Father; wore 1870s-period aristocratic clothing around New York City for two months, including top hat, cane and cape for The Age of Innocence; refused to wear a warmer coat or receive treatment for pneumonia because it was not in keeping with the period of Gangs of New York; etc., etc. he's know for never breaking character during filming, and that includes his performance as Christy Brown, a man who was only able to control his left foot. Acting! Genius!

Day-Lewis became the first thespian since Marlon Brando and Jack Nicholson to win Best Actor Oscars in two non-consecutive decades in 2007, and became the most Oscar-winning actor following his third win for Lincoln in 2012. He took a five-year hiatus after that and returned for what is ostensibly his last role before retiring, as Reynolds Woodcock in Phantom Thread, about a brother and sister dressmakers who dress members of the royal family, film stars, heiresses, socialites, debutants and dames in the 1950s. Rumor has it that DD-L actually traveled back in time to that period to prepare for the part. Acting! Genius!

As for Oldman, the man who has been Sid Vicious, Rosencrantz, Lee Harvey Oswald, Count Dracula, Norman Stansfield, and Ludwig van Beethoven, his most recent transformation sees him taking the guise of Prime Minister of the United Kingdom Winston Churchill in Darkest Hour. Oldman has already been nominated for the Best Actor – Drama at the 75th Golden Globe Awards and the Screen Actors Guild Award for Outstanding Performance by a Male Actor in a Leading Role, and he is "our Best Actor [frontrunner]," Oscar prognosticator Sasha Stone said [3], adding that "There is no doubt that Darkest Hour belongs to its lead," and "There is no other way to watch Oldman than in near disbelief that anyone could bring Churchill back to life this convincingly. It will be difficult for any other actor to top Oldman this year." Acting! Genius! Thank you!

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