

Film News: 'The King's Speech' Leads 2011 Oscar Nominations

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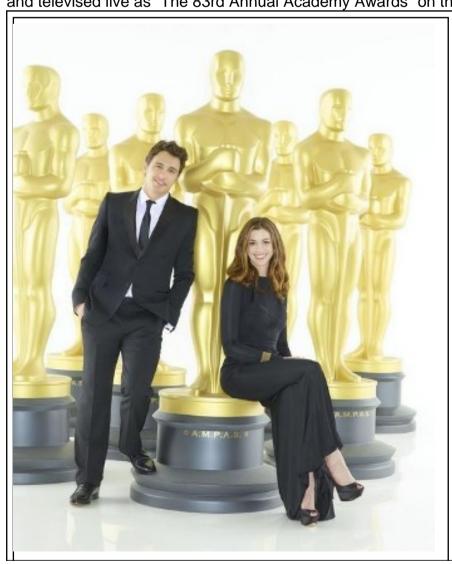
CHICAGO – The nominees for the 83rd Annual Academy Awards were announced this morning, Jan. 25, 2011 and "Inception," "The King's Speech," "The Social Network," "True Grit," "The Fighter," and "Black Swan" led the way with a majority of the nominations. Most of the nominations came down as expected but there were a few surprises, including snubs for Christopher Nolan and Andrew Garfield.

"The King's Speech" led the way with twelve nominations, adding fuel to the growing fire that the film could conceivably tackle the presumptive winner on Oscar night, "The Social Network." "True Grit" came in second place with ten nominations. Other major nominees missed out on major categories that many had predicted them in with "Inception" getting snubbed from Best Director, "Black Swan" missing out on Best Original Screenplay and Best Supporting Actress, and "The Social Network" getting snubbed from Best Supporting Actor.

First-time nominees include Jesse Eisenberg, James Franco, Jennifer Lawrence, Christian Bale, John Hawkes, Mark Ruffalo, Hailee Steinfeld, and Jacki Weaver while Jeff Bridges notched his sixth nomination and Annette Bening and Geoffrey Rush can now both claim four.

As for surprises, our predictions missed no more than one nominee in any single major category (although if we had gone with Steinfeld in supporting, those categories would have been 5 for 5), but nailed only Best Adapted Screenplay 5 for 5. As far as overall success, we nailed 80 nominations, missing 26. Not too shabby. The biggest surprises had to be Javier Bardem getting nominated for "Biutiful" and it was a bit unusual to see Michelle Williams get nominated for "Blue Valentine," but not her partner in the film, Ryan Gosling. Stay tuned to HollywoodChicago.com for nominee reaction and commentary, including The 10 Biggest Snubs of the Year later today.

James Franco (left) and Anne Hathaway (right) will serve as co-hosts of the 83rd Academy Awards, Oscars telecast. Academy Awards for outstanding film achievements of 2010 will be presented on Sunday, Feb. 27, 2011, at the Kodak Theatre at Hollywood & Highland Center, and televised live as "The 83rd Annual Academy Awards" on the ABC Television Network.





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James Franco, Anne Hathaway

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BEST PICTURE

"127 Hours"

"Black Swan"

"The Fighter"

"Inception"

"The Kids Are All Right"

"The King's Speech"

"The Social Network"

"Toy Story 3"

"True Grit"

"Winter's Bone"

BEST ACTOR

Javier Bardem, "Biutiful"

Jeff Bridges, "True Grit"

Jesse Eisenberg, "The Social Network"

Colin Firth, "The King's Speech"

James Franco, "127 Hours"

BEST ACTRESS

Annette Bening, "The Kids Are All Right" Nicole Kidman, "Rabbit Hole" Jennifer Lawrence, "Winter's Bone" Natalie Portman, "Black Swan" Michelle Williams, "Blue Valentine"

BEST SUPPORTING ACTOR

Christian Bale, "The Fighter"
John Hawkes, "Winter's Bone"
Jeremy Renner, "The Town"
Mark Ruffalo, "The Kids Are All Right"
Geoffrey Rush, "The King's Speech"

BEST SUPPORTING ACTRESS

Amy Adams, "The Fighter"
Helena Bonham Carter, "The King's Speech"
Melissa Leo, "The Fighter"
Hailee Steinfeld, "True Grit"
Jacki Weaver, "Animal Kingdom"

BEST DIRECTOR

Darren Aronofsky, "Black Swan"
Joel & Ethan Coen, "True Grit"
David Fincher, "The Social Network"
Tom Hooper, "The King's Speech"
David O. Russell, "The Fighter"

BEST ADAPTED SCREENPLAY

127 Hours
The Social Network
Toy Story 3
True Grit
Winter's Bone

BEST ORIGINAL SCREENPLAY

Another Year
The Fighter
Inception
The Kids Are All Right
The King's Speech

BEST ART DIRECTION

Alice in Wonderland
Inception
The King's Speech
Harry Potter and the Deathly Hallows, Part 1
True Grit



BEST CINEMATOGRAPHY

Black Swan Inception The King's Speech The Social Network True Grit

BEST COSTUME DESIGN

Alice in Wonderland I Am Love The King's Speech The Tempest True Grit

BEST EDITING

127 Hours Black Swan The Fighter The King's Speech The Social Network

BEST MAKEUP

Barney's Version The Way Back The Wolfman

BEST SCORE

127 Hours How to Train Your Dragon Inception The King's Speech The Social Network

BEST SONG

127 Hours **Country Strong Tangled** Toy Story 3

BEST SOUND EDITING

Inception Toy Story 3 **TRON Legacy** True Grit Unstoppable

BEST SOUND MIXING

Inception The King's Speech Salt The Social Network True Grit

BEST VISUAL EFFECTS

Alice in Wonderland Harry Potter and the Deathly Hallows, Part 1 Hereafter Inception Iron Man 2

BEST ANIMATED FILM

How to Train Your Dragon The Illusionist Toy Story 3

BEST DOCUMENTARY

Exit Through the Gift Shop Gasland Inside Job Restrepo Waste Land



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BEST FOREIGN LANGUAGE FILM

Biutiful
Dogtooth
In a Better World
Incendies
Outside the Law



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