

DEADLINE #3

First, I want to thank the Academy for... another great lineup of nominations! This year's Oscar awards will be held Sunday March 27, 2022 live on ABC. After three hostless years, it will be hosted by Regina Hall, Wanda Sykes and Amy Schumer. How will this year compare to last years pandemic-era award ceremony held socially spaced-out event over a span of three hours.

The [Academy](#) revealed there will be performances by Beyoncé, Billie Eilish, Lin-Manuel Miranda, Van Morrison, and Diane Warren. They also revealed the first six presenters for the 2022 award show: Lady Gaga, Zoë Kravitz, Kevin Costner, Rosie Perez, Chris Rock and Yuh-Jung Youn.

However, most are excited for the announcement of best picture winner. The best picture [nominees](#) include: *Dune*, *Belfast*, *Nightmare Alley*, *Don't Look up*, *King Richard*, *Licorice Pizza*, *West Side Story*, *The Power of the Dog*, *Coda* and *Drive my Car*.

"While the movie choices aren't really flashy this year, there have been great movies to watch and witness." Says Anthony Pizana and Journalism student at Roosevelt University, who has also been watching all the nominated movies. "This year's Oscars are interesting for the most part." Pizana says. "It feels like there's nothing important going on for the most part with the awards, everyone is expecting *The Power of the Dog* or *Dune* to sweep, but I don't think that is particularly the case."

73-year-old Sue Samargia and her friends have been having Oscar parties for years. They will watch all the movies and give their opinions then when it's showtime they all watch together in anticipation of the big winner. "We are very excited for this year." Sue says. "I am rooting for *West Side Story* because it is such a classic and I thought it was done very well."

Computer science student at University of Michigan, Lauren Ball is a movie buff and enjoyed *Licorice Pizza* the most. "The lead actor Alana Haim was very magnetic." Ball says. "Weirdly enough I went and saw the Oscar nominated animated short films as well which were great."

Anticipation is rising from viewers not only about the future winners but along with what controversies will arise on Sunday. From the [Moonlight and La La Land](#) mix-up in 2017 to [#OscarsSoWhite](#) in 2016 who knows what the headlines will read Monday morning. Find the full nominations list for Sunday's ceremony [here](#).