

## The Big Winners of this year's Oscar Awards

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LOS ANGELES, Feb. 19 - "Argo," Ben Affleck's film about a group of six Americans trying to escape Iran during the 1979 hostage crisis, was crowned Best Picture at the Academy Awards.

Not only did Affleck direct the movie but he starred in it as well. Affleck's lead role along with his behind-the-camera work had made the film a top favorite to win the award.

It was the 40-year-old's 50<sup>th</sup> role in a movie and has won a previous Academy Award for Best Original Screenplay in 1997.

Daniel Day-Lewis won the Academy Award for Best Actor in a Leading Role as President Abraham Lincoln for "Lincoln", which is based in part on Doris Kearns Goodwin's biography of Lincoln.

Lewis became the first actor to win the awards three times, having won the Oscar for Best Actor in 1990 for "My Left Foot" and in 2008 for "There Will Be Blood".

Jennifer Lawrence won the Oscar for Best Actress in a Leading Role for "Silver Linings Playbook", where she performed as an emotionally bruised widow.

It was the 22-year-old's first ever Academy Award, making her the second-youngest to win the Academy Award for Best Actress. At age 20, she became the second-youngest actress ever to be nominated for the Academy Award for Best Actress.

Tommy Lee Jones won the Academy Award for Best Supporting Actor for "Lincoln", which marked his fourth nomination as Best Supporting Actor.

Jones's multiple show-stopping scenes in "Lincoln" had made him a favorite to take home the award. This is the second time Jones has won an Academy Award, having won the Academy Award for Best Supporting Actor in 1993 for "The Fugitive".

Anne Hathaway walked away with the golden statuette, winning the award for Best Supporting Actress for "Les Miserables", which is an adaptation of the musical version based on the epic novel by French author Victor Hugo.

Her brilliant performance as the doomed Fantine made her a huge favorite to win Best Supporting Actress. This is Hathaway's first Academy Award of her career. The 30-year-old was nominated for Best Actress for "Rachel Getting Married" in 2008.