

WINNERS ANNOUNCED

The Artist wins seven BAFTAs including Best Film, Leading Actor for Jean Dujardin and Director and Original Screenplay for Michel Hazanavicius

Meryl Streep wins Leading Actress

Tinker Tailor Soldier Spy, Hugo, The Iron Lady and Senna win two BAFTAs each

The Artist was named *Best Film* at tonight's Orange British Academy Film Awards hosted by Stephen Fry, held at London's Royal Opera House. The film also won six other awards: *Director, Original Screenplay, Original Music, Cinematography, Costume Design as* well as a performance award for **Jean Dujardin** who won the *Leading Actor BAFTA*.

Meryl Streep was awarded the BAFTA for *Leading Actress* for her performance as Margaret Thatcher in **The Iron Lady**; the film was also honoured in the *Make-Up & Hair* category.

The Help's Octavia Spencer won the *Supporting Actress* category and **Christopher Plummer** won *Supporting Actor* for his performance in **Beginners**.

Outstanding British Film and Adapted Screenplay were awarded to **Tinker Tailor Soldier Spy** and **Senna** won the Documentary and Editing BAFTAs. **Hugo** won two BAFTAs in *Production Design* and Sound. **Pedro Almoldovar's The Skin I Live in** won the Film Not in the English Language category and **Rango** won the BAFTA for Animated Film. **Harry Potter and the Deathly Hallows – Part 2** was awarded the BAFTA for Special Visual Effects.

Director **Paddy Considine** and Producer **Diarmid Scrimshaw** received the award for *Outstanding Debut by a British Writer, Director or Producer* for their first feature film **Tyrannosaur**, based upon the short film Dog Altogether that won them the *Short Film BAFTA* in 2008.

The Orange Wednesdays Rising Star Award was presented to **Adam Deacon**, recently seen in Anuvahood and Kidulthood. This award, the only one voted for by the public, recognises an international actor or actress who has demonstrated exceptional talent and has begun to be recognised as a film star in the making. The award is now in its seventh year and was created in honour of Mary Selway, the highly respected casting director who passed away in 2004.

A Morning Stroll won the Short Animation award and the Short Film award was presented to **Pitch** Black Heist.

The award for Outstanding British Contribution to Cinema was received by **John Hurt**. The Fellowship, the highest accolade which the Academy can bestow, was presented to **Martin Scorsese**.

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