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OSCAR OUTLIERS: NO HOST AND BLOCKBUSTER NOMINEES

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Although the 91st Oscars are more than a week away, the nominations have been announced and speculations are being made for who will walk away with a famous gold statue. The popular awards show will air on ABC at 7p.m. on Sunday, February 24.

This year the award ceremony will be hostless, as Kevin Hart stepped down from hosting duties following backlash from an old tweet. He posted a video to Instagram saying he was quitting because he did not want to apologize again. This is the first time in thirty years that the Academy Awards will not have a host.

This year's Oscar nominations include films that are much more popular than the obscure films the Academy usually recognizes. Box office powerhouses like *Black Panther*, *A Star is Born*, and *Bohemian Rhapsody* are among the films competing for Best Picture.

Netflix's Roma and The Favourite are tied for the most nominations, with 10 each.

Black Panther, the first superhero movie to ever

BEST
PICTURE

Black
Panther





WORST PICTURE *The Meg*

SUPPORTING ACTRESS

Zoe Saldana (Avengers: Infinity War)





SUPPORTING
Micheal B.
Jordan
(Black Panther)

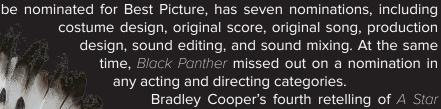
BEST SOUNDTRACK

Spiderman: Into the Spiderverse





Panther

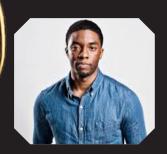


Bradley Cooper's fourth retelling of A Star is Born earned eight nominations- including Best Picture and acting nominations for Cooper, Lady Gaga, and Sam Elliot. Surprisingly, Cooper did not receive a nomination for Best Director.

The award show will feature musical performances of the five Original Song nominees: Black Panther's "All the Stars,"

RBG's "I'll Fight," Mary Poppins Returns'

"The Place Where the Lost Things Go," A Star is Born's "Shallow," and The Ballad of Buster Scruggs' "When a Cowboy Trades His Spurs for Wings." Though there was some speculation that all of the songs might not be performed this year due to time constraints, the Academy has confirmed that all five songs will perform a 90-second excerpt during the ceremony.



LEAD
ACTOR
Chadwick
Boseman
(Black Panther)

LEAD ACTRESS Sandra Bullock (Birdbox)





SCREENPLAY

Black Panther

BEST ANIMATED FEATURE Incredibles 2





BEST
ORIGINAL
SONG
Bohemian
Rhapsody



Infinity War





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