

88TH ANNUAL ACADEMY AWARDS®

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In 2011, the balloting rules first allowed for the possibility of between five and ten nominees for Best Picture. For the first three years, there were nine nominees. For the past two years, there have been eight.

Steven Spielberg has set the record for the most Best Picture nominations for an individual producer with nine.

In the Acting categories, eight individuals are first-time nominees (Bryan Cranston, Tom Hardy, Mark Rylance, Brie Larson, Charlotte Rampling, Jennifer Jason Leigh, Rachel McAdams and Alicia Vikander). Five of the nominees are previous Acting winners (Eddie Redmayne, Christian Bale, Cate Blanchett, Jennifer Lawrence and Kate Winslet).

At age 25, Jennifer Lawrence is the youngest four-time Acting nominee.

Sylvester Stallone, who received his first Acting nomination in 1976 for *Rocky*, is the sixth person nominated for playing the same role in two different films. He follows Bing Crosby as Father O'Malley in *Going My Way* (1944) and *The Bells of St. Mary's* (1945); Paul Newman as Fast Eddie Felson in *The Hustler* (1961) and *The Color of Money* (1986); Peter O'Toole as Henry II in *Becket* (1964) and *The Lion in Winter* (1968); Al Pacino as Michael Corleone in *The Godfather* (1972) and *The Godfather Part II* (1974); and Cate Blanchett as Elizabeth I in *Elizabeth* (1998) and *Elizabeth: The Golden Age* (2007). Of these, only Bing Crosby and Paul Newman won Oscars (in 1944 and 1986, respectively).

Roger Deakins has the most nominations for Cinematography of any living person with 13. Charles B. Lang, Jr. and Leon Shamroy share the all-time record with 18 nominations each.

Sandy Powell now has the most nominations for Costume Design of any living person with 12. The overall record in the category belongs to Edith Head with 35 nominations.

John Williams extends his record number of music scoring nominations with 45. His overall total of 50 nominations (including five for Original Song) increases his record for the most Academy Award nominations of any living person (the only person with more is Walt Disney at 59).

Thomas Newman's nomination for Original Score for *Bridge of Spies* is his 13th and brings the total for members of the Newman family (Alfred, Lionel, Emil, Thomas, David and Randy) to 89, more than any other family.

Two Original Song nominations are from documentaries this year, a first: "Manta Ray" from *Racing Extinction* and "Til It Happens To You" from *The Hunting Ground*. Previous nominations were for "More" from *Mondo Cane* (1963); "I Need To Wake Up" from *An Inconvenient Truth*, which won an Oscar in 2006; "Before My Time" from *Chasing Ice* (2012); and "I'm Not Gonna Miss You" from *Glen Campbell...I'll Be Me* (2014).

With his two nominations for Sound Mixing (for *Bridge of Spies* and *Star Wars: The Force Awakens*), Andy Nelson has tied Kevin O'Connell's record for the most individual nominations in the category with 20.

Inside Out is the ninth animated feature to receive a Writing nomination. To date, none has won. With his fourth Writing nomination this year, Pete Docter has tied Andrew Stanton for the most writing nominations for animated films.

Best Picture Release Dates:

Mad Max: Fury Road - May 14, 2015

The Martian - October 1, 2015

Bridge of Spies - October 15, 2015

Room - October 15, 2015

Brooklyn - November 4, 2015

Spotlight - November 5, 2015

The Big Short - December 10, 2015

The Revenant - December 25, 2015