

'Bugsy,' 'Beast' win film Globes

Nolte, Foster earn acting honors

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Warren Beatty's gang-land love story "Bugsy" and Walt Disney's animated fairy tale "Beauty and the Beast" took top movie honors at Saturday's Golden Globe Awards.

Though "Beauty and the Beast" took three awards, there were no runaway winners at the Hollywood Foreign Press Association's 49th Golden Globes, held Saturday at the Beverly Hilton in Beverly Hills.

In awards that sometimes provide an indication of Oscar front-runners, dramatic acting awards went to Jodie Foster, Nick Nolte, while comedy prizes went to Bette Midler and Robin Williams. Oliver Stone took best director honors for his controversial interpretation of the assassination of President Kennedy in "JFK."

Best drama film honors went to Beatty's "Bugsy," the story of Las Vegas pioneer Benjamin "Bugsy" Siegel. The movie had been nominated for eight awards, but won only a single Golden Globe.

Beatty, who appeared nervous accepting the award, awkwardly thanked director Barry Levinson and the rest of the cast and crew.

"You have to forgive me. I don't come out of the house anymore," he said.

Backstage after the televised awards ceremony, Beatty said the film breaks some of the rules of Hollywood movie making.

"There's an old Hollywood axiom that a happy picture is not necessarily a good picture," he said. "This picture flies in the face of that axiom."

Beatty also disclosed that his newborn daughter is named Kathlyn Bening Beatty, after Beatty's mother.

Disney's "Beauty and the Beast" scored its triple win with awards for best musical or comedy film, song and original score



NOLTE



FOSTER



WILLIAMS



MIDLER

by Alan Menken and Howard Ashman. Ashman died of AIDS before the film's release.

Ashman's sister, Sarah Gillepie, called the movie's songs part of her brother's legacy. "These songs are his children," she said.

Menken said the movie deserved serious consideration for an Academy Award in the spring.

Oliver Stone defended "JFK" after accepting his Golden Globe.

"The film is being attacked, I'm being attacked, a million words are being wasted on that," Stone said backstage.

Kevin Costner, a star in the movie, also came to Stone's defense.

"I can't think of anyone who would do what Oliver has done, which is not run and hide from his movie," he said.

Top dramatic honors went to Foster for her portrayal of an FBI trainee in "The Silence of the Lambs," and to Nolte in "Prince of Tides."

Midler spoke of her disappointment that "For the Boys" wasn't a box-office success as she accepted the award for best actress in a motion picture musical or comedy.

"I want to thank the Foreign Press Association for honoring a film when the American public dismissed it," she said.

Williams won for best actor in the same category for "The Fisher King."

"The Fisher King" also brought a supporting actress award for Mercedes Ruehl.

Veteran actor Jack Palance won a supporting actor award for his performance as a grizzled co-whand in "City Slickers."

CBS dominated the television categories with seven awards for its shows and stars, led by best dramatic series winner "Northern Exposure."

AWARD WINNERS

Here is a complete list of winners at Saturday night's 49th Annual Golden Globe Awards:

MOTION PICTURES

DRAMA: "Bugsy"

MUSICAL OR COMEDY: "Beauty and the Beast"

ACTRESS, DRAMA: Jodie Foster, "The Silence of the Lambs"

ACTOR, DRAMA: Nick Nolte, "The Prince of Tides"

ACTRESS, MUSICAL OR COMEDY: Bette Midler, "For the Boys"

ACTOR, MUSICAL OR COMEDY: Robin Williams, "The Fisher King"

SUPPORTING ACTRESS: Mercedes Ruehl, "The Fisher King"

SUPPORTING ACTOR: Jack Palance, "City Slickers"

DIRECTOR: Oliver Stone, "JFK"

SCREENPLAY: Callie Khouri, "Thelma & Louise"

FOREIGN LANGUAGE FILM: "Europa, Europa" (Germany).

ORIGINAL SCORE: Alan Menken, "Beauty and the Beast"

ORIGINAL SONG: "Beauty and the Beast" from "Beauty and the Beast," music by Alan Menken, lyrics by Howard Ashman.

TELEVISION

DRAMA SERIES: "Northern Exposure"

ACTRESS, DRAMA SERIES: Angela Lansbury, "Murder, She Wrote"

ACTOR, DRAMA SERIES: Scott Bakula, "Quantum Leap"

MUSICAL OR COMEDY SERIES: "Brooklyn Bridge"

ACTRESS, MUSICAL OR COMEDY SERIES: Candice Bergen, "Murphy Brown"

ACTOR, MUSICAL OR COMEDY SERIES: Burt Reynolds, "Evening Shade"



Scott Bakula of "Quantum Leap" and Angela Lansbury of "Murder, She Wrote" won dramatic acting honors in the television category.

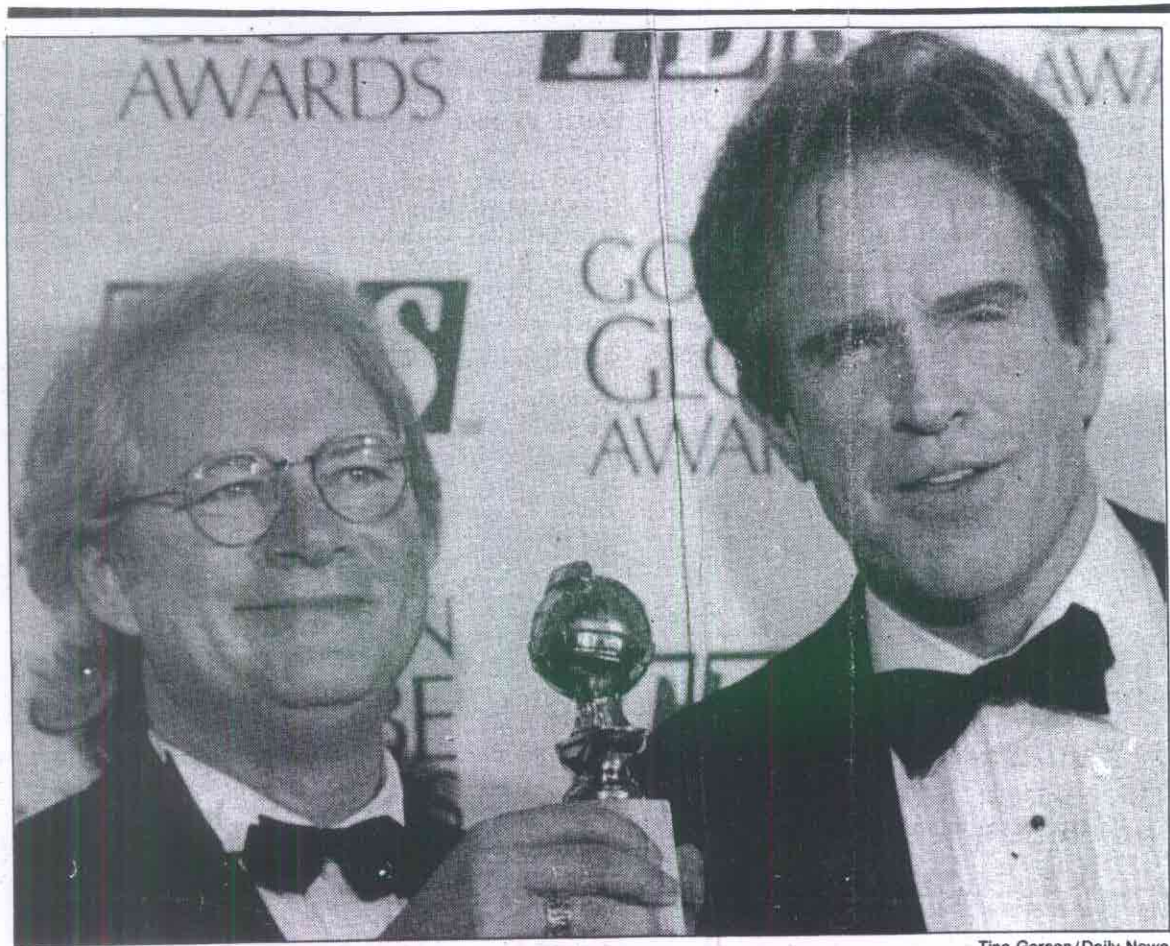
MINISERIES OR TV MOVIE: "One Against the Wind," CBS.

ACTRESS, MINISERIES OR TV MOVIE: Judy Davis, "One Against the Wind"

ACTOR, MINISERIES OR TV MOVIE: Beau Bridges, "Without Warning: The James Brady Story"

SUPPORTING ACTRESS, SERIES, MINISERIES OR TV MOVIE: Amanda Donohoe, "L.A. Law"

SUPPORTING ACTOR, SERIES, MINISERIES OR TV MOVIE: Louis Gossett Jr., "The Josephine Baker Story"



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"Bugsy," directed by Barry Levinson, left, and starring Warren Beatty, was named best film drama.