Golden Globes 1-10-12 spread the wealth

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LOS ANGELES - If the Golden Globes hold to their growing reputation as an Academy Awards harbinger, look for Oscar to have something for everyone in March.

Saturday, the Hollywood Foreign Press Association spread the wealth among 1991's most-touted films.

While Bugsy was named best dramatic film, the biggest victor was Beauty and the Beast, scoring a triple win for best musical or comedy, best score and its title song.

Beast's selection over favored City Slickers and The Fisher King boosts Disney's dream of an Oscar first - a best-picture nomination for an

animated film.

More Oscar favorites emerged: Oliver Stone overcame the controversy swirling around JFK to win the best director statue, and Nick Nolte proved he's the best-actor frontrunner with his Globe for The Prince of Tides. But Bugsy's win suggests Warren Beatty is still a contender.

The Silence of the Lambs' Anthony Hopkins, who has generated debate about which Oscar category he belongs in, may find the going easier in the supporting-actor race.

The Globes didn't neglect often-overlooked early year proiects despite the strong performance of year-end films. Lambs won the dramatic actress award for Jodie Foster. City Slickers' Jack Palance was best supporting actor.

The Fisher King took two big awards: Robin Williams, best actor in a musical or comedy: Mercedes Ruehl, supporting



Reed Saxon, AF FOSTER: Named best actress for 'The Silence of the Lambs'

▶ Beatty, Bening and Bette at the Globe awards, 4D

Bette Midler's win as musical/comedy actress suggests that For the Boys - as she noted in a tearful acceptance may have more backers than thought.

The Globes had a surprise on the TV side, too, honoring the new Brooklyn Bridge as best comedy series over TV stalwarts like Cheers. CBS won seven awards, including best dramatic series (Northern Exposure), best drama acting (Angela Lansbury) and comedy acting honors for Burt Reynolds and Candice Bergen.

Other TV wins: Scott Bakula, Quantum Leap; Amanda Donohoe in L.A. Law; CBS' One Against the Wind miniseries.

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