Oscars - the Most Awaited Award Night of 2012 by Mark Bennett

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It is going to be an elegant and pompous Oscar night on Feb 26, 2012. Various actors, directors, and other members of film fraternity will be gracing the red carpet. Surely, it is going to be one of the exciting events that is going to be hard to forget like the FiOS Bundles. This Oscar is going to be special as there are lineup of many films which are going to give each other a run for their money. Be it the French film 'Artist' or the American film 'The Descendants', the stakes are high this time. For those who want to know which films could be the contenders of the best film and actor awards, here are the following:

Artist - This silent French film could be the contender for the best film and actor. What gives this film the chance to win the best film award is because of the story and the screenplay. The film tells the story of a Hollywood actor's declining stardom and an actress rising stardom. The actor is portrayed by Jean Dujardin who did an exquisite job in portraying the character. Being a silent film, his body movements and expression was just enough to carry the responsibility of the film on his shoulder. No wonder, he is one of the best and the highest paid actor of the French film industry.

The Ideas of March- This American political drama directed by George Clooney is based on the adaptation of Willmon's 2008 play. George Clooney not only directed but also wrote the script of this movie. He plays a negative character who is the Governor of Pennsylvania, who goes to any extent to win the presidential campaign. The story tells how George Clooney tries to manipulate others through his Deputy Campaigning Manager played by Ryan Gosling to keep off all dreadful secrets that could affect his political career. The film could give Clooney the award for the best director as he has made the film with grace and splendid direction. Also since the US elections are on its away, there could be slight chances that this film could be the highlight of the Oscar night.

The Descendants- This drama movie which tells about the story of a father and a loving husband Matt played by George Clooney. When his wife gets injured in a boating accident, she goes into a coma. Matt's life turns into turmoil as he has to take care of his agitated youngest daughter and alcoholic eldest one. Besides that he comes to know that his wife was having an affair behind his back. His essay of the father who becomes the only responsible parent and a husband who is betrayed by his wife was awesome. Needless to say the scene where he comes to know from his eldest daughter about his wife's infidelity and the confrontation with the lover of his wife was fantastic. Surely the odds are that Clooney could win the best actor in this year's Oscar.

The Help - It tells the story of the relationship between a young graduate student and two black maids during the Civil Rights era. The young graduate student Skeeter, played by Emma Stone wants to be a famous journalist and decides to write a controversial book. While searching for the topic, she comes to know that her childhood maid had left the job without informing her. Later on she comes to know that because of racial discrimination she had to leave the family and this gives the topic for her book. She slowly interacts with her friend's maid and tries to research on what kind of discrimination they face and how they are able to withstand it. This could possibly win the best film at the Oscar, as the story is quite touching and emotional.

All eyes are on George Clooney who has been nominated in Broadcast Film Critics Association Awards and Screen Actors Guild Award for Outstanding Performance by a Male Actor in a Leading Role for both of his films. But there is a chance that the black horse Jean Dujardin could take the best actor's award as his performance was quite commendable.

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