



Early Oscar Buzz

If you need to impress your friends with really early Oscar predictions, (And let's face it, who doesn't?) then place your bets on these strong early candidates...

BEST FILM:

- "Crash"
- "Jarhead"
- "The New World"
- "Memoirs of a Geisha"
- "Good Night and Good Luck"
- "Munich" (Spielberg + Tragedy = Oscar)



BEST ACTRESS:



- Zhang Ziyi – "Memoirs of a Geisha"
- Charlize Theron – "North Country"
- Q'Orianka Kilcher – "The New World"
- Joan Allen – "The Upside of Anger"
- Judi Dench – "Mrs. Henderson Presents"
- Renee Zellweger – "Cinderella Man"
- Bryce Dallas Howard – "Manderlay"

BEST ACTOR:

- Sean Penn – "All The Kings Men"
- Eric Bana – "Munich"
- Philip Seymour Hoffman – "Capote"
- Russell Crowe – "Cinderella Man"



- Bill Murray – "Broken Flowers"
- Tommy Lee Jones – "The Three Burials Of Melquiades Estrada"
- David Strathairn – "Good Night. And, Good Luck"
- Colin Farrell – "The New World"
- Joaquin Phoenix – "Walk the Line"

Hot tip
If forced to pick one sure-fire lock for a golden statue, I'd have to choose Philip Seymour Hoffman's amazing performance in "Capote"