



## ST. LOUIS FILM CRITICS ANNOUNCES NOMINEES FOR 2008 AWARDS 'Benjamin Button' Tops List In Number of Nominations

The St. Louis Film Critics, a professional association of working St. Louis-area film critics, announced the nominees for its fourth annual St. Louis Film Critics Awards on Sunday, December 7, 2008.

The yearly awards are given to recognize the best in cinema for the year. Films must have been shown in St. Louis in a theater or a film festival, or made available to member film critics during the past year.

The winners of the St. Louis Film Critics Awards will be announced on Sunday, December 14 at a press conference which will precede the association's annual party. Details on time and place for the announcements will be released later this week.

Nominees will be posted on the association's website at [www.stlfilmcritics.org](http://www.stlfilmcritics.org).

The 2008 St. Louis Film Critics Award nominees are:

### BEST PICTURE

The Curious Case of Benjamin Button  
The Dark Knight  
Milk  
Slumdog Millionaire  
Frost/Nixon  
WALL E

### BEST FOREIGN LANGUAGE FILM

The Class (Entre Les Murs) - France  
I've Loved You So Long (Il Y A Longtemps Que Je T'aime) - France/Germany  
Let The Right One In (Lat Den Ratte Komma In) - Swedish  
Slumdog Millionaire - U.K./U.S.A/India  
Tell No One (Ne Le Dis A Personne) - France

### BEST ACTOR

Leonardo DiCaprio (Revolutionary Road)  
Richard Jenkins (The Visitor)  
Frank Langella (Frost/Nixon)  
Sean Penn (Milk)  
Mickey Rourke (The Wrestler)

### BEST DOCUMENTARY

Body Of War  
Man On Wire  
Pray The Devil Back To Hell  
Shine A Light  
Standard Operating Procedure

### BEST ACTRESS

Cate Blanchett (The Curious Case of Benjamin Button)  
Anne Hathaway (Rachel Getting Married)  
Angelina Jolie (Changeling)  
Kate Winslet (The Reader)  
Kate Winslet (Revolutionary Road)

### BEST COMEDY

Burn After Reading  
Forgetting Sarah Marshall  
Role Models  
Tropic Thunder  
Zack and Miri Make A Porno

### BEST SUPPORTING ACTOR

Josh Brolin (Milk)  
Robert Downey Jr. (Tropic Thunder)  
Heath Ledger (The Dark Knight)  
John Malkovich (Burn After Reading)  
Michael Shannon (Revolutionary Road)  
Jeffrey Wright (Cadillac Records)

### BEST ANIMATED FILM

Bolt  
Chicago 10  
Kung Fu Panda  
Madagascar II  
WALL E  
Waltz With Bashir

### BEST SUPPORTING ACTRESS

Amy Adams (Doubt)  
Penelope Cruz (Vicky Cristina Barcelona)  
Viola Davis (Doubt)  
Taraji P. Henson (The Curious Case of Benjamin Button)  
Frances McDormand (Burn After Reading)

### MOST ORIGINAL, INNOVATIVE OR CREATIVE FILM

The Curious Case of Benjamin Button  
Slumdog Millionaire  
Speed Racer  
Synecdoche, N.Y.  
Wall E  
Waltz With Bashir

### BEST DIRECTOR

Danny Boyle (Slumdog Millionaire)  
David Fincher (The Curious Case of Benjamin Button)  
Ron Howard (Frost/Nixon)  
Christopher Nolan (The Dark Knight)  
Gus Van Sant (Milk)

### BEST CINEMATOGRAPHY

Roger Deakins (Revolutionary Road)  
Anthony Dod Mantle (Slumdog Millionaire)  
Claudio Miranda (The Curious Case of Benjamin Button)  
Wally Pfister (The Dark Knight)  
Harris Savides (Milk)  
Mandy Walker (Australia)

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BEST SCREENPLAY (ORIGINAL OR ADAPTED)

Simon Beaufoy and Vikas Swarup (Slumdog Millionaire)  
Dustin Lance Black (Milk)  
Peter Morgan (Frost/Nixon)  
Eric Roth and Robin Swicord (The Curious Case of Benjamin Button)  
Nick Schenk and Dave Johannson (Gran Torino)

BEST SPECIAL EFFECTS

The Curious Case of Benjamin Button  
The Dark Knight  
Iron Man  
Speed Racer  
WALL E

BEST MUSIC (SOUNDTRACK OR SCORE, ORIGINAL OR ADAPTED)

Cadillac Records  
The Dark Knight  
Gran Torino  
The Visitor  
WALL E

One major movie release was not considered for any SLFC award. MGM did not make their film "Valkyrie" available to member film critics for awards consideration and requested that their film not be considered for any awards.

The St. Louis Film Critics association also presents annual awards at the St. Louis International Film Festival and St. Louis Filmmakers Showcase, presented by Cinema St. Louis. The mission of the association is to promote appreciation of great cinema in St. Louis and St. Louis as an area that appreciates great cinema. The member film critics review films for a variety of media outlets, in print, on radio, television and Internet in the Greater St. Louis Area.

For further information on the St. Louis Film Critics Awards, the St. Louis Film Critics association or other film awards and activities throughout the year, please contact Cate Marquis, SLFC Director, at stlfilmcritics@gmail.com or 314.494.4638.

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