Eye on Entertainment

Thimbles & Threads ~ And the Academy Award Goes to...

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When we think of the Oscars we think glamour, luxury, and gorgeous gowns; however, the 82nd celebration of the Academy fell a bit short. For those of you that watched this year's show, I'm sure you could agree that the majority of designer's clothing the stars wore was less than flattering. For example, let's take a look at what Zoe Saldana wore—a Givenchy dress with a tight corset-looking top made from a sparkly material (which was actually quite gorgeous), but then the bottom of the dress made her look like a purple goose! As if the bundle of goose feathers weren't enough, they decided to add several layers of purple to accentuate the hideousness. John Galliano had the same idea with the purple color, and he too went in the same direction as Givenchy. The dress designed for Dior, worn by Charlize Theron, was a pretty purple color with two flower (tulipesque) petals placed at her chest making for an awkward bra-like accent bringing attention only to the bust area. On the other hand, there were a select few that nailed the Oscar, not with flying colors, but quite the opposite. It was a more neutral palate that got the votes for best dressed at the Oscar's. Midnight blue, pale peach, white, gray, and pastels were the colors to go with at this year's fête. There were, however, a few gowns that were deeper in color that reached the Oscar standard, but for the most part the neutral/pastel range came out on top.

Rachel McAdams wore a flowing gown, designed by Elie Saab Haute Couture that looked like a piece of artwork with watercolor-like pastel patterns splashed across the silk fabric. In the same boat was Demi Moore, who wore an amazing gown designed by Atelier Versace. Pale peach may be one of the hardest colors to try and pull off, but with a mixture of Demi



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Moore's elegance and the style of the dress she was able to be praised for the ensemble. On the darker side of things, Kristen Stewart wore a simple midnight blue silk gown that was floor length with her hair pulled back in a chic fashion and it really accentuated her face. This is a perfect example of less being more—you can never go wrong with an up-do and a simple dark colored dress.

Overall, the fashion at this year's Oscar show was subpar, but there were a few that were worth while. And aside from the few I focused on, there were some others that are noteworthy. Next time you're by a computer take a look at the dress Sandra Bullock wore—she was her own Oscar.

HOROSCOPES

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Aries: Get ready to have your hot buttons pushed this week! You have a very fiery temper, and someone who is well aware of your short fuse will tangle with you on Tuesday. Remind yourself not to let anyone manipulate you. On Thursday the Sun in assertive Aries squares intense Pluto and you'll need to dig a bit in order to locate your inner strength. Don't worry. You'll find it. On Saturday you'll be in a restless mood and unable to sit still.

Taurus: You'll be very productive this week, Bull! On Monday you'll put aside your mellow self and kick into high gear when Mars sextiles industrious Saturn in your sector of daily activities. You'll expend a bit of elbow grease cleaning your residence and tackle paperwork with gusto. A legal issue crops up on Thursday. If you don't want to get a parking ticket, observe all the rules of the road. Family issues rear up on Saturday and a relative will need assistance.

Gemini: On Monday you'll put on your scholarly hat, Twin, as the Moon in clever Gemini trines Neptune in your zone of higher learning. You love to learn new skills and you adore increasing your brainpower. You'll enroll in an adult education course this week. Don't give up the ship on Friday. You're involved in a difficult situation, but you'll find a solution very soon. You need to slow down on Sunday and take it as easy as possible.

Cancer: The changeable Moon rules you, and your feelings ebb and flow, similar to the tides of the ocean. On Monday the Moon squares erratic and unpredictable Uranus and you'll be extremely moody. You'll find it hard to stick to your schedule due to your restlessness. You will come out of your shell on Saturday. You may decide to reach out to a close associate and confide all your secret thoughts. Make sure you don't start to doubt yourself on Sunday. Leo: You enjoy being the center of attention whenever you walk into a room, Lion! However, on Tuesday you won't be as sure of yourself as you normally are. The Moon squares stern Saturn in your zone of communication and you'll find it hard to talk to your associates. Your normally sunny disposition will return to you by Thursday and you'll be back in the swing of things. On Saturday you'll give serious thought to what you value the most in life. Virgo: You'll say goodbye to the past once and for all this week, Virgo! On Wednesday you'll decide to toss your memory book away and begin to concentrate on your present circumstances. You may decide to become a pet owner on Saturday. You love animals and your heart tugs whenever you see a photo of a dog or cat that needs to be rescued. Be sure you're ready for the responsibilities of pet ownership before you bring one home with you. Libra: This week you'll make a schedule and actually stick to it! You're longing for a regular routine and a sense of security in your life. On Monday Mars sextiles Saturn in Libra and you'll establish more order in your life. You'll tune in to your spiritual side on Saturday when the Moon in your sector of metaphysical activities trines profound Pluto. You may check out various religious organizations in your area and join a group that shares your personal belief system.

Scorpio: Make sure you don't close your eyes to reality this week, Scorpio! You'll see only what you want to see in a certain situation in your life on Thursday. Make an attempt to be honest with yourself when the Sun in forthright Aries squares Pluto, your ruling planet. You'll make a new list of goals for yourself on Sunday when the Moon enters your sector of hopes and dreams. Feel free to think big and include all of your aims and aspirations. Sagittarius: You're the most idealistic person on your block, Centaur, and you know that! However, this week you'll discover you need to do more than just wish upon a star in order to achieve your heart's desire. On Monday you'll combine action with thought. Make sure you're very wary when you interact with an associate on Saturday. The Moon opposes deceptive Neptune in your communication sector and you'll be faced with someone who has a false tongue and is deceitful.

Capricorn: Avoid getting yourself into dangerous situations this week, Capricorn. You're usually very safety conscious, but you'll throw caution to the wind on Monday. Don't send text messages while driving. Home issues will come into play on Thursday. You'll need to take out a hammer and nails and start fixing up your residence. You'll realize it's a mistake to allow negative thoughts to cloud your thinking on Sunday when the Moon opposes Jupiter in your sector of the mind and imagination.

Aquarius: Don't procrastinate on Monday. You'll run into trouble if you put off an important project. Remind yourself that a stitch in time saves nine, and take out your sewing kit when see a big hole in your sock. You're normally very logical, thanks to your Air Sign, but on Friday you'll be teeming with turbulent emotions. A former foe will reenter your life, as the Moon in your zone of adversaries is quincunx your ruler, Uranus. Keep your cool!

Pisces: You'll be uncharacteristically stubborn this week, Pisces. Usually you go with the flow, but on Monday you'll be very dogmatic regarding a particularly hot topic. Do your best to consider all viewpoints before you alienate a close associate with your inflexibility. Don't get discouraged on Friday. It's true that you aren't making progress as quickly as you would like in an endeavor. Consider if you're setting the bar too high for yourself when the Moon opposes excessive Jupiter in Pisces.

NOT-SO-INFINITE PLAYLIST

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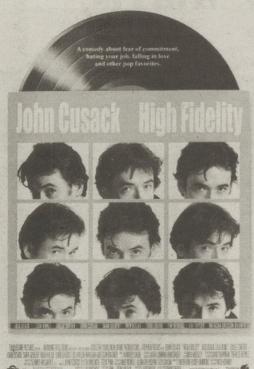


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- She & Him
2. "The Good Life"
- Weezer
3. "Let It Happen"
- Jimmy Eat World
4. "Young Love"
- Mystery Jets
5. "Crushed Bones"
- Why?
6. "Hard Sun"
- Eddie Vedder
7. "Fashion Zombies"
- The Aquabats
8. "Venus in Furs" -

1. "In The Sun"

The Velvet underground 9. "The Guns of Brixton"

- The Clash 10. "Nausea" - Beck Courtesy of www.horoscopes.com