

Press Release

Five Oscars for Berlinale Stars and Films

"We are delighted and warmly congratulate Marion Cotillard, Daniel Day-Lewis and director Stefan Ruzowitzky to their Oscars," says Festival Director Dieter Kosslick to the presentation of the prestigious trophies Sunday night.

Yesterday, two Academy Awards went to the two-time Bear winner of this year's Berlin International Film Festival, *There Will Be Blood* by Paul Thomas Anderson. For his compelling tour de force, lead Daniel Day-Lewis won an Oscar for Best Actor. This oil drama from the USA also received an Oscar for Best Cinematography. One week ago in Berlin, director Paul Thomas Anderson was awarded the Silver Bear for Best Director; and composer Jonny Greenwood, the Silver Bear for Outstanding Artistic Contribution (music).

The Academy of Motion Picture Arts and Sciences also honoured two films from the Berlinale 2007:

French actress Marion Cotillard - who gave a brilliant performance as Edith Piaf in *La Vie en Rose*, the opening film of the Berlinale 2007 - was awarded an Oscar for Best Actress in Los Angeles yesterday. The French-British-Czech co-production took home a second Oscar for Best Makeup.

The German-Austrian contribution to the Berlinale *Competition* 2007, *The Counterfeiters (Die Fälscher)* by director Stefan Ruzowitzky, was in the race for Austria and won the Oscar for Best Foreign Language Film.

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