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# 'Nomadland' makes Globes history, as virtual gala honours late Boseman

- Chadwick Boseman wins Golden Globe for his emotional final movie role
- 'Nomadland' wins best drama movie
- 'Borat' sequel wins Golden Globe for best comedy film

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**“N**omadland” made Golden Globes history Sunday as Chloe Zhao became the first female director to win the awards’ top prize for best drama, putting her film about marginalized Americans roaming the West in vans into Oscars pole position.

Zhao also bagged the best director Globe, making her only the second woman to do so in the history of Hollywood’s traditional awards season opener, which was a mainly virtual ceremony due to the coronavirus pandemic.

The late Chadwick Boseman won best actor for 1920s blues drama “Ma Rainey’s Black Bottom,” six months after his death from cancer at age 43, in a night of emotional moments interspersed with technical glitches, awkward jokes and a row over the lack of diversity among event organizers.

Semi-fictional film “Nomadland” stars Oscar winner Frances McDormand alongside a rag-tag bunch of non-actors who truly live on the open road, working mostly menial jobs to scrape by off the grid.



Chadwick Boseman (best actor in a drama)



Chloe Zhao (on screen) accepts the award for her film ‘Nomadland’

“For everyone who has gone through this difficult and beautiful journey at some point in their lives -- this is for you. We don’t say goodbye. We say see you down the road,” said Beijing-born Zhao, 38.

“Sometimes a first feels like a long time coming, -- you feel like it’s about time. I’m sure there’s many others before me that deserve the same recognition,” she told journalists in a virtual press room of her historic win.

Usually a star-packed party that draws Tinseltown’s biggest names to a California hotel ballroom, this pandemic edition of the Globes was broadcast from identical sets at the Beverly

Hilton and New York’s Rainbow Room, with essential workers and a few A-list presenters among the few in attendance.

The night’s most poignant moment came with the win for “Black Panther” actor Boseman.

“He would thank his ancestors for their guidance and their sacrifice,” said his widow, Taylor Simone Ledward, accepting on his behalf.



Hosts Tina Fey, left, from New York, and Amy Poehler, from Beverly Hills, Calif., speak at the Golden Globe Awards

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### ‘One unzipping’

Unlike the Oscars, the Globes split most movie categories into drama and “musical or comedy.” “Borat Subsequent Moviefilm,” a sequel about the fictional Kazakh journalist, won the com-



edy section’s best film and best actor prizes for creator Sacha Baron Cohen.

“Hold on, Donald Trump is contesting the result. He claimed a lot of dead people voted, which is a very rude thing to say about the HFPA,” joked Cohen, referring to the Hollywood Foreign Press Association, which organizes the Globes.

Cohen also had a couple of zingers for Trump’s lawyer Rudy Giuliani, who was tricked into a fake hotel room “interview” with an attractive and flirtatious young woman, played by nominee Maria Bakalova.

“I mean, who can get more laughs out of one unzipping? It’s just incredible,” asked Cohen.

Best comedy actress went to Rosamund Pike for Netflix’s dark thriller “I Care a Lot.”

“I had to swim up



Emma Corrin accepts the Best Television Actress - Drama Series award for ‘The Crown’

from a sinking car. I think I still would rather do that than have to be in a room with Rudy Giuliani,” said Pike.

The biggest upset came as Andra Day won best drama actress for her portrayal of the legendary jazz singer Billie Holiday in “The United States vs. Billie Holiday.”

Jane Fonda, the Cecil B. DeMille Award honoree, spoke passionately about expanding the big tent of entertainment for all. “Art has always been not just in step with history but has lead the way,” said Fonda. “So let’s be leaders.”

### ‘Black, um back’

Comedians Tina Fey and Amy Poehler -- hosting from opposite coasts -- opened the ceremony making fun of the HFPA, which has been under mounting pressure for its lack of diversity.

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TAYLOR SIMONE LEDWARD  
CHADWICK BOSEMAN’S WIDOW

Foreign Press Association is made up of around 90 -- no Black -- journalists that attend movie junkets each year, in search for a better life,” said Fey.

Three senior HFPA officials took the Globes stage early in the night, pledging “a more inclusive future,” after several influential showbiz groups had piled on criticism including Hollywood’s actors and directors unions.

But the punches kept coming, with presenter Sterling K Brown quipping: “It is great to be black, um back, at the Golden Globes.”

Despite that controversy, the Globes remain a coveted prize and a high-profile source of momentum in the run-up to the season-crowning Oscars, which were pushed back this year to April 25.

Asked about heightened Oscar hopes for “Nomadland,” Zhao said: “The awareness that I think it’s going to bring to the nomadic community, I think is a great thing.”

Aaron Sorkin’s “The Trial of the Chicago 7” had been tipped for multiple Globes but had to settle for best screenplay, while “Mank” -- an ode to “Citizen Kane” -- left empty-handed despite topping the nominations.

Rosamund Pike (best actress in a comedy)

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**How to play**  
Place a number in the empty boxes in such a way that each row across, each column down and each 9-box square contains all of the numbers from one to nine.

**CROSSWORD**

**Across**  
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**Down**  
1- Salamander; 2- Pop singer Brickell; 3- Fly catcher; 4- Old verb ending; 5- Donkey's uncle; 6- Way to cook; 7- It parallels a radius; 8- Whirlpool; 9- Staying power; 10- Equipped; 11- Perjurers; 12- Inclined; 13- Sand hill by the sea; 18- Trace; 23- Broadcaster; 24- Colorful card game; 25- Pop's partner; 26- Doc bloc; 27- Weeps; 28- Leg joint; 29- Whiskey type; 30- Against a proposition; 33- Like a subway; 34- Pluto's tail; 35- Architect Saarinen; 37- Brian of Roxy Music; 39- Equivalent wd.; 41- Condiment; 42- Bit of resistance; 43- To the left, at sea; 44- Crusty treat; 47- Evident; 48- Scope; 49- \_\_ alia; 50- Delivers a verdict?; 51- Fast flier; 52- Nae sayer?; 53- Actress Olin; 54- Bad mood; 55- Anatomical passage; 56- Fictional Jane; 59- Help; 60- Vanilla \_\_, American rap star;

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