

## Awards for UK films and British talent in 2013/14

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This release presents the awards won by British talent and UK films at the major film awards ceremonies and film festivals. The film award ceremonies included here are the Academy Awards® and BAFTA Film Awards, and the major film festivals included are the Berlin, Cannes, Sundance, Toronto and Venice festivals.

This release looks mainly at awards won in the 2013/14 awards cycle. That is the festivals from 2013 and the BAFTA Film Awards and the Academy Awards® in 2014. However, Table 1 also shows the number of awards won in calendar year 2013, in order to compare with previous years.

As Table 1 shows, UK films and British individuals won 25 awards in calendar year 2013 and, as there were exactly the same number of British winners at the Oscars® and BAFTAs in both 2013 and 2014 (six Oscars® and 13 BAFTAs), there were also 25 British award winners during the 2013/14 awards cycle. The 25 awards won in both the calendar year 2013 and the 2013/14 awards cycle represent 14% of the awards available to UK films and British talent (compared with 9% in calendar year 2012). Over the period 2001 to 2013 UK films and talent won 14% of available awards (awards specific to foreign nationals or films, for example the Toronto International Film Festival's award for Best Canadian Film, are not included in the present analysis).

Of the 25 awards to British films and talent in 2013, a total of 10 were won or shared by British women or won by British films made by women (in 2012 seven of the 23 awards were won or shared by women).

**Table 1 Numbers of UK award winners, 2001-2013/14**

Year	Number of UK award winners	UK share %
2001	25	14
2002	24	15
2003	22	13
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2005	23	14
2006	25	14
2007	32	15
2008	32	15
2009	36	17
2010	24	12
2011	30	15
2012	23	14
2013	25	14
Total (to end of 2013)	343	15
2013/14 award cycle	25	14

Source: BFI

Four awards were presented to British films and talent at the 2013 Sundance film festival. The Special Jury Prize: World Cinema: Documentary award went to *Pussy Riot: A Punk Prayer* and *Metro Manila* won the Audience Award – World Cinema - Dramatic award. Marc Silver won the Cinematography Award - World Cinema - Documentary award for *Who Is Dayani Cristal?* and Ben Stark won the Editing Award - World Cinema - Documentary award for *The Summit*. In Toronto *12 Years a Slave* won the People’s Choice Award. At the Venice festival, the Best Screenplay award went to Steve Coogan and Jeff Pope for *Philomena*.

Six awards were made to British talent and films at the 2014 Academy Awards®. The Best Picture award was won by *12 Years a Slave* and the other five awards were all won by *Gravity*.

At the BAFTA Awards, British talent and films won 13 awards, with *Gravity* being associated with four (the highest number for a single film). Glenn Freemantle, Christopher Benstead and Chris Munro won the Best Sound award, Chris Lawrence, Neil Corbould and Nikki Penny won the Special Visual Effects award and Steven Price won the Original Music, all for their work on *Gravity*. *Gravity* also won the award for Outstanding British Film. The Best Film award was won by *12 Years a Slave* and Chiwetel Ejiofor won the Leading Actor award for the same film. Steve Coogan and Jeff Pope won the Best Adapted Screenplay award for *Philomena* and Kieran Evans won the award for Outstanding debut by a British Writer, Director or Producer for *Kelly + Victor* (which he both wrote and directed). *Sleeping with the Fishes* won the British Short Animation award and *Room 8* won the British Short Film award. Outstanding British Contribution to Cinema went to Peter Greenaway, the EE Rising Star award was won by Will Poulter and Academy Fellowship was awarded to Dame Helen Mirren.

Table 2 lists the awards won by UK films and British talent at the major festivals in 2013 and at the 2014 Academy Awards® and BAFTA Film Awards.

**Table 2 UK award winners, 2013/14**

<b>Award ceremony/festival</b>	<b>Award</b>	<b>Recipient</b>	<b>Title</b>
Sundance Film Festival 17-27 January 2013	Special Jury Prize: World Cinema: Documentary	Film Award presented to Mike Lerner and Maxim Pozdorovkin	<i>Pussy Riot: A Punk Prayer</i>
	Cinematography Award - World Cinema - Documentary	Marc Silver (with Pau Esteve Birba)	<i>Who Is Dayani Cristal?</i>
	Audience Award – World Cinema - Dramatic	Film Award presented to Sean Ellis	<i>Metro Manila</i>
	Editing Award - World Cinema - Documentary	Ben Stark	<i>The Summit</i>
Venice Film Festival 28 August-7 September 2013	Best Screenplay	Steve Coogan and Jeff Pope	<i>Philomena</i>
Toronto Film Festival 5-15 September 2012	People’s Choice Award	Film Award presented to Steve McQueen	<i>12 Years a Slave</i>

Academy Awards® 2 March 2014	Best Picture	Film Award presented to Brad Pitt, Dede Gardner, Jeremy Kleiner, Steve McQueen and Anthony Katagas	12 Years a Slave
	Sound Editing	Glenn Freemantle	Gravity
	Sound Mixing	Christopher Benstead and Chris Munro (with Skip Lievsay and Niv Adiri)	Gravity
	Visual Effects	Chris Lawrence and Neil Corbould (with (Tim Webber and David Shirk)	Gravity
	Music (Original Score)	Steven Price	Gravity
	Film Editing	Mark Sanger (with Alfonso Cuaron)	Gravity
BAFTA Film Awards 16 February 2014	Adapted Screenplay	Steve Coogan and Jeff Pope	Philomena
	British Short Animation	Film Award presented to James Walker, Sarah Woolner and Yousif Al-Khalifa	Sleeping with the Fishes
	British Short Film	Film Award presented to James W. Griffiths and Sophie Venner	Room 8
	EE Rising Star	Will Poulter	
	Fellowship	Dame Helen Mirren	
	Film	Film Award presented to Anthony Katagas, Brad Pitt, Dede Gardner, Jeremy Kleiner and Steve McQueen	12 Years a Slave
	Leading Actor	Chiwetel Ejiofor	12 Years a Slave
	Original Music	Steven Price	Gravity
	Outstanding British Contribution to Cinema	Peter Greenaway	
	Outstanding British Film	Film Award presented to Alfonso Cuarón, David Heyman and Jonás Cuarón	Gravity
	Outstanding Debut by a British Writer, Director or Producer	Kieran Evans (Director and Writer)	Kelly + Victor
	Sound	Glenn Freemantle, Christopher Benstead and Chris Munro (with Skip Lievsay and Niv Adiri)	Gravity
	Special Visual Effects	Chris Lawrence, Neil Corbould and Nikki Penny (with Tim Webber and David Shirk)	Gravity

Source: BFI

Note: No awards were made to British talent or films at Berlin or Cannes in 2013.

## Notes

1. Data were obtained from the Academy Awards® and BAFTA websites, the websites of the individual named festivals and the Internet Movie Database (IMDb). British winners were identified from information acquired from a wide range of public sources.

## 2. Definitions:

A **UK film** is a film that has been officially certified as British by the BFI's Certification Unit (acting on the authority of the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport) or which is a *de facto* UK film by virtue of being made in whole or part in the UK by a UK production company.

An individual is considered to be **British** either by virtue of having been born in the UK or by having gained British Citizenship.

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