Seth MacFarlane Jokes about Rihanna and Chris Brown at the Oscars





By Andrea Surujnauth

According to <u>UsMagazine.com</u>, the emcee of this year's Academy Awards, Seth MacFarlane, decided crack a joke at the expense of Chris Brown and Rihanna's controversial on and off relationship. During his opening monologue, MacFarlane discussed Quentin Tarantino's *Django Unchained*. "This is a story about man fighting to get back his woman who has been subjected to unthinkable violence, or as Chris Brown and Rihanna call it — a date movie. That's as bad as it gets, if it makes you feel better." His joke got a round of nervous laughter from the audience as he continued on with the movie discussion.

What do you do if your friend gets back together with a violent ex?

Cupid's Advice:

Worried about your friend getting back with one of their violent exes? Should you do something? If so, what? Cupid is here with some advice:

- 1. Reach out: Tell your friend how you feel. Tell them you are concerned and worried about their safety. Offer to help them and let them know you are there.
- 2. Support: Be supportive and listen to them talk about their feelings. If they make a decision that you do not agree with, do not fight them over it or stop talking to them. Let them know you are always there so they don't end up isolating themselves from you, otherwise, they won't come to you when they realize that they really do need help.
- 3. Leave the abuser alone: One mistake people tend to make when they have a friend that is in an abusive relationship is contact the abuser and start a fight with them. If you contact the abuser and anger them, you will put your friend in more danger. Keep your feelings between you and your friend, for your friend's safety.

What would you do if your friend got back into an abusive relationship? Share your thoughts below.

Ashton Kutcher Indulges in PDA at Oscars Bash with Gal Pal





Ashton Kutcher, 34,

took Lorene Scafaria, 33, as his date to Madonna and Guy Oseary's annual Oscars after party. According to <u>UsMagazine.com</u>, the couple socialized with Cameron Diaz, Diddy, Katy Perry, and Leonardo DiCaprio. Although Kutcher's rep has denied the duo being couple, a source said, "They were affectionate. They held hands and she rubbed his back and neck." This was all very different for Kutcher, whose date for the past several years had been Demi Moore.

What are some ways to introduce your new partner to friends?

Cupid's Advice:

Introducing your new lover to your friends can go great or horribly wrong. Cupid has some tips to make sure it goes smoothly:

1. Prep: Tell your new man about your friends, and dish to your friends about your new man. A surprise meet and greet will be awkward for everyone. If you forewarn your man about your goofy friend who laughs when she meets new people, he

won't feel like she is laughing at him and the process will be effortless.

- 2. Neutral location: Don't show up at your girlfriend's house, which is like your second home, with your new boyfriend. It will surely be uncomfortable for him. Try having a group of friends meet a bar or bowling alley. That way, you can all mingle and everyone meets your new beau in one shot.
- 3. Be proud: Have confidence when you introduce your sweetheart to your friends. If they think you're embarrassed of him, they are going to assume something's wrong. The last thing you want is friends who disapprove of your new man and a boyfriend who feels insecure about your relationship.

How did you introduce your new partner to your friends? Share your stories here.

Exes Kate Hudson and Owen Wilson Have Surprise Reunion at Oscars Bash





Kate Hudson and Owen

Wilson prove that exes can be friends after a breakup. The former couple who dated from 2006-2007 after working together on the set of *You*, *Me and Dupree*, had a surprise reunion at the *Vanity Fair* Oscar party on Sunday. A partygoer told *UsMagazine.com* that the two "totally had a moment" as they "hugged and kissed each other on both cheeks." The source also revealed that the two stars talked about their kids and how old they are now (Hudson welcomed son Bingham in July 2011 with fiancé Matt Bellamy and Wilson and Jade Duell welcomed son Robert Ford in January 2011; Hudson also has son Ryder, 8, with ex-husband and Black Crowes front man Chris Robinson). "They pulled out their phones to show each other pictures," the partygoer said. "They both oohed and ahhed over them."

What are some ways to become friends with your ex after a split?

Cupid's Advice:

So you and your ex didn't make it to the altar like you thought would, but that doesn't mean the two of you still can't be friends. Don't know how to get over the awkwardness? Cupid has some tips:

1. Give yourself some time: You may not be ready to

immediately come face-to-face after your relationship ends, which is understandable. Allow yourself time to heal after splitting, especially if it ended on bad terms.

- 2. Get over the grudge: The breakup might not have ended so well, but if it's been years since then, you shouldn't hold onto a grudge forever. Sometimes, not holding a grudge with your former flame can be what you need to move on to the next best thing.
- 3. Be friendly: If you have the same friends, you might run into each other often. When this happens, smile and make small talk. This may not reignite the spark in your old relationship, but it may lead into becoming friends again.

Were you able to become friends with your ex? How? Share your stories below.

Top 10 Academy Award Nominations if the Oscars were Based on Love





By Matthew Dougherty

What if the Oscars were solely based on love? For all of us hopeless romantics out there who drool over prince charmings like Ryan Gosling in the Notebook, this would be our kind of Oscars. We all love living vicariously through these glamourous celebrities and adore when they get swooped off their feet and fall madly in love both in real life and in romantic movies. After all, it gives us hope and encourages a little fantasy in our own lives! If only the Academy Awards were based on love, then our top 10 Oscar nominations would be:

1. Best Romantic Movie: Midnight in Paris

Woody Allen has an uncanny ability to reach staggeringly romantic depth within his films, which is surprising coming from someone with those glasses. His latest, *Midnight in Paris* reminds us of his mastery over film by depicting the struggle of staying true to your own desires while trying to combine your life with another's, something every married couple can relate to. Owen Wilson's journey into 1920s Paris is not only entertaining but it, proves that love can overcome any obstacle when shared with the right person.

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2. Best Couple Overall: George Valentin and Peppy Miller in *The Artist*

Jean Dujardin steals the show as the strong silent type in this old-school, black and white film. Jean and Berenice Bejo allow their affection to scream off of the screen in *The Artist*. With a film that depicts how important it is to have a partner that stands with you, supports you and sometimes even carries you through life, we're shown that love is more than words — it's an action.

3. Best Chemistry: Margaret and Denis Thatcher in *The Iron*Lady

There was never any question that Meryl Streep would be amazing as Margaret Thatcher, but who knew this biopic would focus much more on her relationship with Thatcher's devoted husband Denis (Jim Broadbent)? With years of history backing this love story, Streep and Broadbent play off of each other with ease and create one of the most believable couples in cinematic history, which is fitting as their romance is based off of one of the truest romances to date.

4. Most Desirable Male: Billy Beane in Moneyball

Brad Pitt portrays the legendary and awe inspiring Billy Beane, who took the Oakland A's from rags to riches, with determination and spark. By channeling his softer side, Pitt showcases the purest of all loves by beautifully capturing the special relationship between a father and his daughter. With conviction and a wit that will leave you hanging on Pitt'severy word, more women may just start tuning into MLB games this spring

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5. Most Desirable Female: Marilyn Monroe in *My Week With Marilyn*

We already know that Michelle Williams is absolutely adorable, but by donning the blondest of blondes and an infamous white dress, we learned that she is also a fantastic actress. Playing cultural icon Marilyn Monroe would be a daunting task for some, but Williams' charm, beauty and ability to understand all sides of the human experience leaves us simply wanting more. She perfected the icon's every mannerism, reminding us why the public fell so deeply in love with Monroe, while also giving us a window into the troubled star's much darker world.

6. Best Kiss: Ron Weasley and Hermione Granger in *Harry Potter* and the *Deathly Hallows Part 2*

After ten years, seven movies, and plenty of awkwardly sweet moments, Ron and Hermione finally kissed before even defeating the villain, in this year's Potter flick, *Deathly Hallows Part 2.* The Weasley/Granger kiss was so passionate (and overdue) it transcended the Potter industry, reaching the hearts of even the least enthusiastic fans. A moment that came to a head after a long history of platonic want is one we can all relate to, and one that left a little lip-shaped imprint on our hearts.

7. Most Heartbreaking Moment: Matt King says goodbye to his wife in *The Descendants*

George Clooney's character, Matt King, in *The Descendants* has it rough. After his wife ends up in a coma from a boating accident, his relationship is thrown into the spotlight when he finds out that his wife was cheating on him. Armed with loyal friends and two daughters who still need their mother, Clooney's journey is both heartwarming *and* heart wrenching. The final good-byebetween King and his wife has our vote on the most heartbreaking, tear jerker moment. We laughed, we cried and we remembered why we want to marry George Clooney!

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8. Most Unexpected Couple: Lisbeth Salander and Mikael Blomkvist in *The Girl With the Dragon Tattoo*

There are so few reasons to suspect that Lisbeth Salander will get involved with Mikael in the beginning of David Fincher's version of the Swedish bestseller. After all, he's involved with someone else and Lisbeth is several years younger. But then, in an odd twist, Mikael receives a gunshot wound to the head and Lisbeth is there by his side to take care of him. She makes the the first sexual advance, resulting in a very peculiar love story. Mixing violence with love makes sense for this very dark, confused character. But, I can't say we saw this 'coupling' coming. And unfortunately, when the film draws to an end we realize that neither did Mikael.

9. Cutest Kid Romance: Hugo and Isabelle in Hugo

It's rare that a children's film is able to capture the believability of that all too important "first love", but Scorsese got it right in his first ever kiddy flick. Asa Butterfield and Chloe Grace Moretz are not only fun and adorable, but they show us the tender simplicity of youthful love, and who could ever tire of that?

10. Hardest to Watch Romance: Simin and Nader in A Separation

A jarring escape from the norm, this film depicts the uglier side of love with an Iranian couple desiring a divorce, but finding themselves unable to do so without government permission. With a daughter in the middle of their broken family and a mix of legal trouble, the two are forced to work together despite their desire to split. The tension, heartbreak and uncertainty felt by Simin and Nader is sometimes torturous to watch, but the truth behind it also makes the entire relationship beautiful.

So there you have it! What do you think of our picks? Any

movies that got nominated for Oscars that we missed? Sound off below!

Ryan Phillippe and Amanda Seyfried Rekindle Their Romance





After much talk of

their romance dying out, Amanda Seyfried and Ryan Phillippe seem to be working things out. According to <u>People</u>, the two were seen at the Grey Goose Pre-Oscar bash at L.A.'s Soho House. Although the two were definitely together, Seyfried did seem a bit uneasy, a source says. Although it seems the two are back and forth, "When it's good, they're really good together."

When is your relationship good enough? Cupid's Advice:

Every relationship is different, and each couple has its ups and downs. Sometimes, it's difficult to assess the condition of your connection. Cupid has some tips to help you figure out when your relationship is good enough:

- 1. You are genuinely happy: Although there are always hard times, the good times should outnumber the bad.
- 2. It doesn't feel like work: Sometimes we get so caught up that our relationships begin to feel like chores. When it starts to feel like a second job, you may want to begin to start rethinking things.
- **3. You don't constantly need reassurance:** If you feel like you need to be constantly convinced to stay in your relationship, it may not be good enough.

Taylor Swift and Jake Gyllenhaal Reunite at Oscars





Ex-lovers Taylor

Swift and Jake Gyllenhaal were seen having a serious conversation at an Oscars after party, according to <u>Digital Spy</u>. A source told *People* that the duo was seen at the *Vanity Fair* after party. "It seemed a bit more serious — it certainly wasn't a 'Hi, how are you?' talk," the source said. "It seemed like they were catching up, sorting something out." Gyllenhaal left shortly after the talk while Swift stayed and partied with a few friends. The former duo broke things off in January.

Should you continue to resolve things after a breakup?

Cupid's Advice:

Each relationship and breakup should be handled on a case-by-case basis. Cupid has some situations where you should attempt to resolve your major issues:

- 1. Coworkers: Nobody likes drama in the workplace. Do your best to keep things in perspective and work out your issues off the clock.
- 2. Lots of mutual friends: If you have a good amount of shared friends, then chances are you'll run into each other a lot. You'll need to at least be able to stand seeing each other in public.

3. A close relationship: Chances are that if you've been in a long-term relationship and things ended mutually, then you two were best friends and it's difficult to just cut that person out of your life.

'Twilight' Stars Rob Pattinson and Kristen Stewart Dance All Night Long





Twilight actors and

real-life lovebirds Kristen Stewart and Robert Pattinson spent the night dancing at a Friday/Saturday pre-Oscar bash at the Chateau Marmont in Hollywood, reports <u>UsMagazine.com</u>. A source revealed that Stewart and Pattinson "were dancing the whole time. They definitely kissed a few times." Also on the dance floor were Hayden Panettiere, Miley Cyrus, Ryan Gosling,

Scarlett Johansson, Halle Berry, and Natalie Portman, to name a few.

What are some ways to have fun with your mate at a party?

Cupid's Advice:

It's not hard to have fun at a party, but sometimes it's difficult to have fun with another person in tow. Here are some ways to enjoy a party with your partner:

- 1. Hit the dance floor: For some instant fun, hit the dance floor. Crazy dance moves and a few song requests will ensure a good time, even if neither one of you are good dancers.
- 2. Meet up with friends: Parties are meant for socialization, so try meeting some new people or catching up with friends. A few minutes talking and laughing will put you and your partner in a good mood.
- **3. Find some privacy:** When you and your mate are too tired to dance and want to spend some time alone together, try finding a table and chatting. A moment of down time at a party is the perfect remedy for sore feet.

Sanda Bullock Says She's a 'Better Person' After Baby Louis





Academy Award winner

Sandra Bullock dazzled in red this past Sunday at the 2011 Oscars. Bullock received her 2010 Best Actress Oscar (for Blind Side) only to find herself filing for divorce from now ex-husband Jesse James just weeks later. So what was on Bullock's mind this past Sunday when she was being questioned on the red carpet? According to <u>UsMagazine.com</u>, it's on her new main man, baby Louis. Bullock adopted in secret in January of 2010 finally making it public later that spring. The actress, who has returned to making movies again after a year and a half sabbatical gushed about her new life. "It's made me a better person. I'm more patient and accommodating. I really appreciate where I am."

Does having a child change your relationship with your partner?

Cupid's Advice:

Bringing a child into the mix will guarantee one thing in your relationship, and that's a major change. Whether that change is for the better or the worse is up to you:

1. Communicate better: With a baby in tow, both of you will be sleepless and irritable. Make sure not to take your lack of sleep out on each other, even if you have to come out right and say it. Sometimes just acknowledging that you're tired

and easily annoyed can make all the difference.

- 2. Create a new routine: Long gone are the days of Friday night dates and lazy Sundays. In their place, you can create new routines and patterns. Suddenly, minor things like brewing coffee for your love in the morning will be just the loving touch he needs.
- 3. Bringing out the best: Now, it's not just you that you're looking out for, but a whole new person. Now is the time when you and your partner really have to have those hard discussions about morals and values, and which ones you'll be teaching. And if you two can't agree to disagree on some, then there's a long road ahead of you.

And The 2011 Oscar Nominees Are...





By Krissy Dolor

With today's crack-of-dawn announcement of the 83rd Academy Awards nominees, the Oscar race has officially begun! This year's big contender is *The King's Speech*, leading the pack with 12 nominations. *True Grit* comes in second, with 10. Black Swan, The Social Network, The Fighter and Inception all received multiple Oscar nods as well, and like last year, there are 10 nominees for Best Picture. But all I can think about are the celebrity couples that will dazzle us in their designer gowns and dapper suits.

While we have to wait until **Sunday**, **Feb. 27** for the big day, here are the five celebrity couples that should strut their stuff on the red carpet:

- 1. Natalie Portman and her soon-to-be-hubby, Benjamin Millepied: He was the choreographer of *Black Swan* and they shocked the world last month with their engagement and baby news! Need I say more?
- 2. Leonardo DiCaprio and Bar Refaeli: While Leo has been spotted with the likes of Blake Lively, there hasn't been any mention of a breakup between him and his longtime supermodel girlfriend. Also, the actor is famous for staying away from red carpet events like the Oscars, so it would be nice to see

him there — with anyone — at his side!

- 3. Justin Timberlake and Jessica Biel/Olivia Munn: Rumors from as recently as this month are flying that the actor/singer is still texting Munn, telling her that his relationship with Biel, his girlfriend of four years, "is basically over." Will he and a new woman show up next month to support David Fincher and Aaron Sorkin's nominations for *The Social Network*?
- 4. Sandra Bullock and Ryan Reynolds: Despite Bullock's denial of any relationship with close friend and former castmate Reynolds, it's hard not to secretly wish for the two of them to date, regardless of his recent split from actress Scarlett Johannson. But if Jesse James can find love with Kat Von D, Bullock should get out there and snag a new romance for herself, too! Or at the very least, some really hot eye candy.
- **5. Tom Hanks and wife Rita Wilson:** Hanks' second wife is the constant pillar of support that the actor and voice of *Toy Story 3's* Woody has chosen to lean on for the past 20 years. Check out this picture of them at the 1989 Academy Awards. Why stop now?

Check back next month as we recap the top celebrity couples of the 2011 Oscars, which will be hosted by James Franco and Anne Hathaway and will air on ABC! And in case you missed this morning's live stream, here are the nominations:

Leading Actor

- * Javier Bardem, Biutiful
- * Jeff Bridges, True Grit
- * Jesse Eisenberg, The Social Network
- * Colin Firth, The King's Speech
- * James Franco, 127 Hours

Leading Actress

- * Annette Bening, The Kids Are All Right
- * Nicole Kidman, Rabbit Hole

- * Jennifer Lawrence, Winter's Bone
- * Natalie Portman, Black Swan
- * Michelle Wiliams, Blue Valentine

Supporting Actor

- * Christian Bale, The Fighter
- * John Hawkes, Winter's Bone
- * Jeremy Renner, The Town
- * Mark Ruffalo, The Kids Are All Right
- * Geoffrey Rush, The King's Speech

Supporting Actress

- * Amy Adams, The Fighter
- * Helena Bonham Carter, The King's Speech
- * Melissa Leo, The Fighter
- * Hailee Steinfeld, True Grit
- * Jacki Weaver, Animal Kingdom

Animated Feature Film

- * How to Train Your Dragon
- * The Illusionist
- * Toy Story 3

Directing

- * Darren Aronofsky, Black Swan
- * David O. Russell, The Fighter
- * Tom Hooper, The King's Speech
- * David Fincher, The Social Network
- * Joel Coen and Ethan Coen, True Grit

Foreign Language Film

- * Biutiful (Mexico)
- * Dogtooth (Greece)
- * In a Better World (Denmark)
- * Incendies (Canada)
- * Outside the Law (Hors-la-loi, Algeria)

Adapted Screenplay

* 127 Hours, Screenplay by Danny Boyle & Simon Beaufoy

- * The Social Network, Screenplay by Aaron Sorkin
- * Toy Story 3, Screenplay by Michael Arndt. Story by John Lasseter, Andrew Stanton and Lee Unkrich
- * True Grit, Written for the screen by Joel Coen and Ethan Coen
- * Winter's Bone, Adapted for the screen by Debra Granik and Anne Rosellini

Original Screenplay

- * Another Year, Written by Mike Leigh
- * The Fighter, Screenplay by Scott Silver, Paul Tamasy and Eric Johnson. Story by Keith Dorrington, Paul Tamasy and Eric Johnson
- * Inception, Written by Christopher Nolan
- * The Kids Are All Right, Written by Lisa Cholodenko and Stuart Blumberg
- * The King's Speech, Screenplay by David Seidler

Best Picture

- * Black Swan
- * The Fighter
- * Inception
- * The Kids Are All Right
- * The King's Speech
- * 127 Hours
- * The Social Network
- * Toy Story 3
- * True Grit
- * Winter's Bone

For the complete list of nominations, visit E! Online.

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Well folks, it's

awards season, and you know what that means: gawking at the uber-hot celebrity couples on the red carpet! But before we get to that, a few (quite important) announcements still need to be made, like the nominations for the 83rd Academy Awards. Lucky for you, Cupid will be streaming the broadcast live on our homepage tomorrow, Tuesday, Jan. 25 at 5:30am PT/8:30am ET, with help from Livestream!

The webcast will begin with "Road to the Oscars," featuring Chris Harrison, host of <u>ABC's The Bachelor</u> and TV Guide Network's Academy Awards red carpet show, and Dave Karger, senior writer at *Entertainment Weekly*. The two will celebrate the year in film and discuss the movie trends from 2010. Shortly after that, Academy President Tom Sherak and last year's Supporting Actress winner, Mo'Nique, will take the stage and reveal the nominees in the following 10 categories:

Leading Actor, Leading Actress, Supporting Actor, Supporting Actress, Animated Feature Film, Directing, Foreign Language Film, Adapted Screenplay, Original Screenplay and Best Picture.

Will your favorite celebrities make the cut? Watch the live stream with us tomorrow morning and find out!