

On Sunday evening March 26th, 2000
46 million people tuned in to watch.

Directed By

Here's what they didn't see...

The 72nd Academy Awards telecast aired on March 26th, 2000 live from the Shrine Auditorium in Los Angeles. Over 46 million viewers tuned in, and it currently stands as the highest rated Academy Awards telecast of the 21st Century. Critically acclaimed and technologically advanced, it was produced by the late Richard Zanuck and his wife Lili Fini Zanuck, and hosted by Billy Crystal. The press wrote: "It was clean, snappy, high-gloss, and very well produced. And this year Billy didn't have to save the show!" The live telecast was directed by Louis J. Horvitz, who is one of the most prolific live television directors in Hollywood.

Over the course of 4 days, the director's assistants Steve Race and Micah Kwamina were granted unprecedented access to the behind the scenes action. Armed with only a GL1 Cannon Digital Video Camera, no sound equipment, and not even a tri-pod, they captured what goes into making the biggest show on earth.

For the first time ever you get to see how the show is put together, from the rehearsals to the actual show itself. In the end you are left with an appreciation for what it takes produce the Academy Awards, otherwise known as the Oscars!