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Tou-Che, Del Toro! He wins in Cannes

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BENICIO DEL Toro's performance as Che Guevara won Best Actor at the closing of the 61st annual Cannes Film Festival yesterday.

Del Toro plays the Argentine revolutionary in director Steven Soderbergh's two-part, four-hour-plus biopic "Che."

The Palme d'Or for Best Film went to French filmmaker Laurent Cantet for his schoolteacher drama "Entre les murs" ("The Class").

Best Director was won by Turkey's Nuri Bilge Ceylan for "Three Monkeys." Actress Catherine Deneuve and director Clint Eastwood, whose drama "Changeling" was shown in competition, won special prizes.

The final weekend of the 12-day event began in a New York state of mind with two debuts: "Synecdoche, New York," in which Philip Seymour Hoffman plays a depressed playwright who builds a life-size replica of Manhattan inside a warehouse, and "Chelsea on the Rocks," a pseudo-documentary featuring nonperformers and real actors colliding at the Chelsea Hotel.

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