

FORGET ABOUT IT - NATALIE COLE STEALS THE SHOW

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New York's Radio City Music Hall and comedienne Whoopi Goldberg were the hosts of the 34th annual ceremonies, this past Tuesday evening.

Beginning the presentations,

was the honor of Song of the Year. Irving Gordon, who wrote Unforgettable, sung by Natalie Cole, graciously accepted the award.

Cole and others involved with

the song accepted six more awards for the high-tech tribute to her father, the late Nat King Cole.

Besides Song of the Year, the ballad also received record and album of the year.

Wisecracking Goldberg kept everyone laughing with her sarcastic remarks on just about everyone that appeared on the show.

The hilarious host put all jokes aside when commenting on the reason for the red ribbons being worn by everybody on the show. "AIDS is a disease that anyone can get, even some of the greatest Americans," said Goldberg. The artists were trying to promote AIDS awareness with the ribbons.

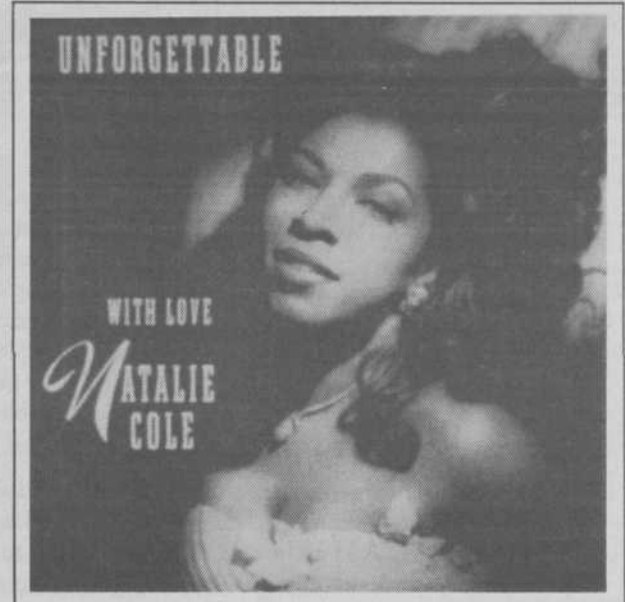
Boyz II Men, C&C Music Factory, Color Me Badd and Seal were all shunned by the academy as Marc Cohn accepted the Best New Artist award.

Cohn, unnecessarily, stated, "I'm totally shocked, as you can tell by this paper," referring to his speech he had already prepared. Cohn statement seemed to say that he was an easy choice over his contenders... ..NOT!

DJ Jazzy Jeff and the Fresh Prince captured the Best Rap Group/Duo and LL Cool J accepted the Solo honor.

In the R&B category, Boyz II Men, Luther Vandross, Lisa Fischer and Patti LaBelle were all winners.

Fischer and LaBelle shared



the honor as the top divas while Vandross deservedly snagged the male honor. Luther's "Power Of Love" was voted the Best R&B Song and Boyz II Men got Best R&B Group honors.

Here are a list of just some of the awards given:

- ALBUM OF THE YEAR - Unforgettable
- RECORD OF THE YEAR - Unforgettable
- SONG OF THE YEAR - Unforgettable
- RAP GROUP/DUO OF THE YEAR - DJ Jazzy Jeff & Fresh Prince
- RAP SOLO OF THE YEAR - LL Cool J
- R&B GROUP OF THE YEAR - Boyz II Men
- R&B FEMALE OF THE

YEAR - Patti LaBelle & Lisa Fischer

R&B MALE OF THE YEAR - Luther Vandross

R&B SONG OF THE YEAR - Power Of Love

REGGAE ALBUM OF THE YEAR - As Raw As Ever - Shabba Ranks

JAZZ VOCAL PERFORMANCE OF THE YEAR - He Is Christ - Take 6

TRADITIONAL BLUES ALBUM OF THE YEAR - Live At The Apollo - B.B. King

CONTEMPORARY BLUES ALBUM OF THE YEAR - Damn Right I've Got The Blues - Buddy Guy

LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS - James Brown and Jimi Hendrix

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that she has been nominated by the GRAMMY AWARDS COMMITTEE TO RECEIVE AN AWARD FOR BEST R&B FEMALE. MS. THING STATED, "I AM IN THE DIVA CATEGORY." It is interesting to note that MS. WILLIAMS is nominated for her song, "RUNNING BACK TO YOU." According to my resources, the RUNNING BACK TO YOU SONG, WAS SUPPOSE TO BE AN UP BEAT RENDITION OF "THESE BOOTS WERE MADE FOR WALKING." The original composers for the BOOTS did not like VANESSA'S VERSION THAT INCLUDED RAP. So, they refused to let her WALK ALL OVER THEIR SONG. Nevertheless, VANESSA might be RUNNING BACK to LOS ANGELES from NEW YORK with a GRAMMY. PAULA ABDUL recently got engaged to

actor, ?, (I WOULD MENTION HIS NAME, BUT I ONLY FEATURE THOSE COLORFUL CELEBRITIES!) Don't worry I will keep you updated. YOUNG AND THE RESTLESS SOAP OPERA MIGHT HAVE SOME COMPETITION FROM THE ABDUL SAGA. My EARTH, WIND, AND FIRE BUDDIES will be performing live at the LOS ANGELES STRAND NIGHT-CLUB MARCH 7, 1992. AL MAKAY WILL SHOW ALL OF LOS ANGELES THE MUSICAL WAY. I WILL BE ON MY WAY TO LOS ANGELES SOON FOR THIS YEARS SOUL TRAIN AWARDS, I WISH I COULD TAKE YOU THERE PHYSICALLY, BUT I WILL TRY TO TAKE YOU THERE MENTALLY.

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