



Natalie Stewart, right, and Marsha Ambrosius of the British singing and songwriting duo Floetry accept one of the three awards they won at the 9th annual Soul Train Lady of Soul Awards in Pasadena, Calif. on Saturday. Floetry won for best R&B soul single and best new group for 'Say Yes,' and album of the year for 'Floetic.' The syndicated live telecast honors female recording artists in the fields of soul, R&B, hip hop, rap and gospel music.

Floetry nabs 3 Soul Train honors

PASADENA, Calif. (AP) - Neo-soul duo Floetry, rapper Missy "Misdemeanor" Elliot and R&B newcomer Heather Headley took home the most awards at the 2003 Soul Train Lady of Soul Awards.

Floetry was honored for best single by a group, "Say Yes," and best album by a



Erykah Badu performs during the Lady of Soul Awards. The eclectic, Dallas-born neo-soul songstress later won the 2003 Aretha Franklin Award for entertainer of the year.

group for "Floetic," as well as best new group.

Elliott won twice, in best song of the year and best music video for the raunchy "Work It."

Headley's "He Is" won her honors as best new solo artist, and her album "This is Who I Am" was named the best solo effort of the year.

Other winners included Dorinda Clark-Cole for best gospel album and Erykah

Badu for solo single with "Love of my Life."

Badu also took home the 2003 Aretha Franklin "Entertainer of the Year" award and Vivica A. Fox was chosen for the 2003 Lena Horne Award honoring career achievement.

Saturday's ceremony at the Pasadena Civic Auditorium was hosted by Aisha Tyler, Arsenio Hall, Headley and actor-singer Tyrese.



Actress Vivica A. Fox poses with the 2003 Lena Horne Award for outstanding career achievement at the awards ceremony.

Whitney Houston confronts police

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ALPHARETTA, Ga. - Whitney Houston angrily confronted officers as her husband, Bobby Brown, was arrested outside a seafood restaurant, police said.

Brown has been in jail since his Friday night arrest for violating his probation from an earlier drunk driving conviction.

The R&B singer is scheduled for his first court appearance Wednesday.

"She was outwardly frustrated. She was upset. She was yelling and screaming and pointing fingers at one of our officers," Sgt. Chris Lagerbloom said of Houston.

"We deal with emotions like that from family members all the time. To say that

she was calm about it would be a misstatement."

But he said officers didn't consider charging the 40-year-old singer with disorderly conduct.

Meanwhile, Brown "was as calm and cordial and professional as you could be," Lagerbloom said.

Brown, 33, was arrested because he apparently didn't show up for court-ordered community service, drug treatment or a random drug test.

He was arrested after being spotted at a suburban Atlanta restaurant with Houston. Another patron at the restaurant saw Brown and called police.

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