

Cinema Grande Dame



BETTE DAVIS

- ▶ **1908:** *Ruth Elizabeth Davis* born April 5, in Lowell, Massachusetts
- ▶ **1934:** Earns major critical acclaim in movie *Of Human Bondage*
- ▶ **1935:** Wins Oscar for *Dangerous*
- ▶ **1937:** Loses high-profile legal case over contract with *Warner Bros.*
- ▶ **1938:** Wins second Oscar, for *Jezebel*, directed by *William Wyler*
- ▶ **1941:** Appointed first female president of *Academy of Motion Picture Arts and Sciences*
- ▶ **1962:** Receives her 10th Oscar nomination, for *What Ever Happened to Baby Jane?*
- ▶ **1977:** First woman to receive *Lifetime Achievement Award* from *American Film Institute*
- ▶ **1989:** Dies at age 81 following recurrence of cancer