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Hugh Jackmanâ??s Logan claws out world premiere in Berlin film festival

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Logan, the third and final standalone Wolverine film to star Hugh Jackman as the adamantine-clawed mutant, is to receive its world premiere at the Berlin film festival in February.

Logan, which follows *X-Men Origins: Wolverine* (2009) and *The Wolverine* (2013) in featuring the character as its main protagonist, revolves around an ageing Wolverine whose powers are failing. Directed by James Mangold, and co-starring Patrick Stewart and Dafne Keen, *Logan* will screen an as out-of-competition film, ahead of its cinematic release in early March.

Also receiving its world premiere at the festival will be *Viceroyâ??s House*, the Gurinder Chadha-directed historical drama about the end of the Raj and the partition of India, featuring Hugh Bonneville as Lord Mountbatten, the last viceroy of India, and Gillian Anderson as Lady Edwina Mountbatten.

Like *Logan, Viceroyâ??s House* will screen in an out-of-competition slot; as will *T2 Trainspotting*, the long-awaited sequel to the 1996 Irvine Welsh adaptation. Although *T2 Trainspotting* will have been released in the UK before the festival begins, its screening at the festival is billed as an â??international premiereâ?•.

These films join the already announced lineup, which includes the Richard Gere thriller *The Dinner*, PenÃ©lope Cruz in *The Queen of Spain* and Aki KaurismÃ¤kiâ??s latest, *The Other Side of Hope*. The festival also revealed recently that this yearâ??s opening film would be *Django*, a biopic of the jazz guitarist Django Reinhardt directed by Ã?tienne Comar.

The Berlin international film festival runs from 9-18 February.

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