



***THE DARJEELING LIMITED* ROLLS IN TO CLOSE THE TIMES BFI 51ST LONDON FILM FESTIVAL**

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London... Tuesday 14th August: The Times BFI 51st London Film Festival is delighted to announce that **Wes Anderson's** THE DARJEELING LIMITED will be this year's Closing Gala on **Thursday 1st November**.

In THE DARJEELING LIMITED, three American brothers who have not spoken to each other in a year set off on a train voyage across India with a plan to find themselves and bond with each other - to become brothers again like they used to be. Their "spiritual quest", however, veers rapidly off-course (due to events involving over-the-counter pain killers, Indian cough syrup, and pepper spray), and they eventually find themselves stranded alone in the middle of the desert with eleven suitcases, a printer, and a laminating machine. At this moment, a new, unplanned journey suddenly begins. **Owen Wilson, Adrien Brody, and Jason Schwartzman** star in this film about their adventure and their friendship.

The film was written by **Wes Anderson** (THE ROYAL TENENBAUMS), **Roman Coppola** and **Jason Schwartzman** and was produced by **Anderson, Scott Rudin, Roman Coppola** and **Lydia Dean Pilcher**.

In addition to bringing the Festival's 16 day celebration of cinema to a close, Wes Anderson will give a career interview as part of its TCM Screen Talks series.

Festival Artistic Director **Sandra Hebron** comments: "Wes Anderson and his knockout cast are at their sparkling best in THE DARJEELING LIMITED, and we're very excited to be closing our Festival with this original and hugely enjoyable film from one of our favourite auteurs."

Twentieth Century Fox will release the film in the UK on Friday 23rd November.

The full programme for The Times BFI 51st London Film Festival will be announced on Thursday 13th September. www.lff.org.uk

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