

TIFF: Jonás Cuarón's 'Desierto' Selling to STX Entertainment



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Jeffery Dean Morgan plays an American vigilante set on the destruction of a group attempting to cross the Mexican-American border.

Desierto is selling to STX Entertainment.

The company is in final negotiations to pick up the immigration thriller from **Jonás Cuarón**, marking it as the second movie it has picked up from TIFF. The company earlier picked up the worldwide rights to action movie *Hardcore*.

Desierto follows the journey of a group of Mexicans, Led by Moises (**Gael García Bernal**), as they attempt to cross the border while being followed by an American vigilante (**Jeffery Dean Morgan**), who uses his shot gun and knowledge of the landscape to dismantle Moises's group one by one.

Jonas is the son of *Gravity* director **Alfonso Cuarón**. The two co-wrote the Oscar-winning space odyssey, which also screened at the Toronto Film Festival. *Desierto* is produced by Alfonso and his brother **Carlos Cuarón**, as well as **Alex García** and **Charles Gillibert**. Alfonso previously worked with García Bernal in his movie *Y Tu Mama Tambien*. **David Linde, Gael García Bernal, Nicolas Celis**, and **Santiago García Galván** are the film's executive producers.

The film screened at the Toronto Film Festival on Sunday, Sept. 13.

Desierto is repped domestically by UTA and internationally by IM Global.

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