

Slideshow: Hugh Jackman Wows Chicago at ‘Eddie the Eagle’ Red Carpet

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Hugh Jackman in Chicago on February 16th, 2016.

CHICAGO – The film “Eddie the Eagle” soared at the box office this weekend, and one of the huge stars in it is Hugh Jackman, the Australian-born movie and theater icon. He was in Chicago on February 16th, 2016, to walk the Red Carpet for the film, and HollywoodChicago.com was there to both [do video interviews](#) [19] and photograph the event.

Born in Sydney, Jackman also studied communications at the University of Technology at Sydney and became an actor by taking a drama course in his final year. He started out in musical theater, and broke through in 1999 performing “Oklahoma” in London. The same year he was cast as Wolverine in “X-Men” (2000). He has portrayed the character in several films, and has also starred in “Van Helsing” (2004), “Real Steel” (2011) and “Chappie” (2015). He also notably starred on Broadway as the originator of the Peter Allen role in “The Boy from Oz” (2002).

Photographer Joe Arce of HollywoodChicago.com was at the Red Carpet at the Showplace ICON theater in Chicago, and took these Exclusive Photos of Hugh Jackman and director Dexter Fletcher of “Eddie the Eagle.” Click “Next” and “Previous” to scan through the slideshow or jump directly to individual photos with the captioned links below. All photos are © Joe Arce of Starstruck Foto for HollywoodChicago.com.

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"Eddie the Eagle" is in theaters everywhere. Featuring Hugh Jackman, Taron Egerton, Keith Allen, Mark Benton, Iris Berben, Jim Broadbent and Christopher Walken. Screenplay by Sean Macauley and Simon Kelton. Directed by Dexter Fletcher. Rated "PG-13"

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