

# DISNEY BRANDED TELEVISION UNVEILS NEW AND RETURNING ANIMATED SLATE AHEAD OF ANNECY INTERNATIONAL ANIMATION FILM FESTIVAL

## ANNOUNCEMENTS AND EXCLUSIVE FIRST LOOKS INCLUDE:

Greenlights for New Series '**Sam Witch'** for Disney Jr. and Christmas Special '**Dasher'** for Disney+ and Disney Jr.

Acquisition of '**Miraculous Stellar Force**,' the First Original Spin-off in the Miraculous Universe

Renewals for Popular Disney Jr. Series 'Marvel's Spidey and his Amazing Friends,' 'SuperKitties,' 'Disney Jr. Ariel - The Little Mermaid,' and 'RoboGobo'

Renewals for Original Shorts 'Chibiverse,' 'Playdate with Winnie the Pooh,' and 'Me & Mickey: In the Clubhouse+'

Exclusive First Looks at Upcoming Disney+ Series '**Dragon Striker**' and Disney Jr.'s '**SuperKitties: Su-Purrr Adventures'** Shorts

(BURBANK, Calif. – June 7, 2025) Today, Disney Branded Television announced a slate of new and returning animated kids' content for Disney+, Disney Jr., and Disney Channel – including the new Disney Jr. series "Sam Witch," created by Mia Resella and produced by Brown Bag Films, new holiday special "Dasher" from Trustbridge Entertainment and 9 Story Media Group, an enhanced acquisition with Disney Branded Television, that will stream on Disney+ and air on Disney Jr. during the 2026 holiday season, and the acquisition of "Miraculous Stellar Force" from Miraculous Corp, the first original spin-off for the franchise. Also announced were the renewal of top streaming preschool series "Marvel's Spidey and his Amazing Friends" (season six), "SuperKitties" (season four), "Disney Jr. Ariel – The Little Mermaid" (season two), and "RoboGobo" (season two).

Disney Branded Television's original shorts slate will include a fourth season of the kids series "Chibiverse," as well as preschool-focused shorts and music videos "Disney Jr. Ariel - The Little Mermaid: Songs from the Crystal Cavern," "Playdate with Winnie the Pooh" season three, and new series "Me & Mickey: In the Clubhouse+," an extension of the popular "Me & Mickey" Disney

Jr. vlog series. Two new holiday sing-along stop-motion shorts, "Mickey & Minnie's Holiday Songs: Halloween" and "Mickey & Minnie's Holiday Songs: Christmas," round out the lineup.

"Annecy is the perfect backdrop to showcase the creative ambition and global strength of our kids' animation slate," said **Ayo Davis, president of Disney Branded Television**, which includes content brands Disney Jr. and Disney Channel, as well as the Disney Television Animation Studio. "From bold new originals like 'Sam Witch' to fresh seasons of beloved hits like 'Marvel's Spidey and his Amazing Friends' and 'SuperKitties' to our growing lineup of original shorts, we're building a strong lineup anchored by the world's most beloved characters and designed for how kids watch today."

Additionally revealed today were the first looks of the upcoming new Disney+ series "Dragon Striker," which is being featured in a Studio Focus panel at Annecy on Tuesday, June 10, as well as season two of "SuperKitties: Su-Purr Adventures," a popular original short series inspired by the breakout hit preschool series "SuperKitties."

Link to download series images is here.

#### **GREENLIGHT/NEW SERIES:**

"SAM WITCH" (Disney+ and Disney Jr.) Produced by: Brown Bag Films in association with Disney Jr. for Disney Branded Television Creator/Executive Producer: Mia Resella Co-Executive Producer: Norton Virgien

"Sam Witch" follows the adventures of Sam, a young girl learning the ins and outs of being a witch. With the support of her family, friends and magical pets, Sam is excited to tackle problems big and small around town in her own "witchy way."

#### **GREENLIGHT/NEW SPECIAL:**

#### "DASHER" (Disney+ and Disney Jr.)

Produced by: Trustbridge Entertainment, 9 Story Media Group, and Brown Bag Films in association with Disney Branded Television

Executive Producers: Bob Higgins and Kim Howitt from Trustbridge Entertainment; Natalie Osborne and Alix Wiseman from 9 Story

"Dasher" is a full-length CG holiday special inspired by Candlewick Press' New York Times bestselling picture book "Dasher: How a Brave Little Doe Changed Christmas Forever," from author and illustrator Matt Tavares. Written and directed by Damien O'Connor, it brings to life the magical story of Santa's flying reindeer and how a brave little doe, Dasher, seizes her destiny.

#### ACQUISITION/NEW SERIES:

"MIRACULOUS STELLAR FORCE" (Disney+ and Disney Channel) Produced by: Miraculous Corp, a joint venture between Mediawan and ZAG Creator: Thomas Astruc

"Miraculous Stellar Force," the first original spin-off series in the Miraculous Universe showcasing 2D hand-drawn anime style animation, is set in an international school in Tokyo, where twelve students discover they are guardians of the shattered Stellar Matrix, an ancient cosmic weapon. Led by Miki, Mayotte, and Yu Lu, the team must overcome clashing personalities and chaotic friendships to unite against rising galactic threats – including the vengeful Modeler and the dark entity known only as The Supreme. The new series, to launch in 2027, will be introduced through a one-hour, high-octane special later this year where Marinette and Kagami play a pivotal role in rallying this fractured team of Tokyo-based heroes.

### SERIES RENEWALS:

"MARVEL'S SPIDEY AND HIS AMAZING FRIENDS" (Season Six) (Disney+ and Disney Jr.) Produced by: Disney Jr. and Marvel Studios in association with Atomic Cartoons Executive Producers: Harrison Wilcox, Bart Jennett and Chris Moreno

"Marvel's Spidey and his Amazing Friends" follows the adventures of Peter Parker, Gwen Stacy and Miles Morales as they team up with super heroes to defeat foes and learn that teamwork is the best way to save the day. The global hit series, which is currently the No. 2 streaming series for kids and boys 2-5 in the U.S., was recently renewed for a fifth season and has also now been greenlit for a sixth.

"SUPERKITTIES" (Season Four) (Disney+ and Disney Jr.)

Produced by: Sony Pictures Television - Kids in association with Disney Jr. for Disney Branded Television

Creator: Paula Rosenthal Executive Producers: Sarah Mullervy, Kirk Van Wormer and Audu Paden

"SuperKitties" is an adorable and action-packed series about four fierce and furry super hero kittens — Ginny, Sparks, Buddy and Bitsy — who are on a mission to make their town of Kittydale a more caring and "pawesome" place. A top 10 most-watched series for preschoolers, season three of the hit series will debut later this year and include a new "Su-Purr Wild" story arc in which the SuperKitties travel into the Kittydale Wild Jungle and meet new friends. Season four will continue the SuperKitties' adventures using kitty kindness to thwart the series' comedic villains and help their community and beyond.

"DISNEY JR. ARIEL - THE LITTLE MERMAID" (Season Two) (Disney+ and Disney Jr.) Produced by: Wild Canary in association with Disney Jr. for Disney Branded Television Executive Producer: Lynne Southerland

"Disney Jr. Ariel: The Little Mermaid" is an animated musical series inspired by "The Little Mermaid" that follows young mermaid princess Ariel as she embarks on fun-filled, action-packed adventures with her friends throughout their Caribbean-inspired fairytale kingdom of Atlantica.

Season two sees Ariel and her friends adventure through the ocean, help their fellow sea creatures, and discover a magical new undersea world.

"**ROBOGOBO**" (Season Two) (Disney+ and Disney Jr.) Produced by: Brown Bag Films in association with Disney Jr. for Disney Branded Television Creator/Executive Producer: Chris Gilligan

"RoboGobo," a heartfelt comedy-action series for preschoolers, features five adopted pets who are given super-powered Robo-Suits by kid inventor Dax. Hopper, Booster, Allie, Shelly, and Wingo become a super hero team of "rescue pets who rescue pets" and learn how to be a family in the process. The series features an all-star cast, including Cynthia Erivo, Alan Cumming, Valerie Bertinelli, Ana Gasteyer, Susan Kelechi Watson, and Dulé Hill.

#### **ORIGINAL SHORTS:**

"CHIBIVERSE" (Season Four) (Disney+ and Disney Channel) Produced by: Disney Television Animation for Disney Branded Television Executive Producer: Gino Guzzardo Co-Executive Producer: Dan Siegel

When cartoon scientists mash up Disney stories in a secret lab, the result is the "Chibiverse" — a strange new planet where favorite characters from across Disney Branded Television and Disney Television Animation series team up for wild adventures. Each seven-minute episode brings together "chibi" versions of beloved characters from "Phineas and Ferb," "Big City Greens," "The Owl House," "Kiff," "Kim Possible," "StuGo," and more, as they explore new locations, play silly games, and battle cartoony villains — often in surprising cross-series combinations.

"PLAYDATE WITH WINNIE THE POOH" (Season Three) (Disney+ and Disney Jr.) Produced by: OddBot Inc. in association with Disney Jr. for Disney Branded Television Executive Producer: Chris Hamilton Co-Executive Producer: Elise Fachon

"Playdate with Winnie the Pooh" follows a young Pooh Bear as he enjoys playdates with his friends. Set in the exciting outdoors of the Hundred Acre Wood, these musical shorts emphasize collaborative play and the joy of spending time with others.

"ME & MICKEY: IN THE CLUBHOUSE+" (New Original Shorts Series) (Disney+ and Disney Jr.) "Me and Mickey: In the Clubhouse+" invites preschoolers to come along with Mickey, Minnie, and their friends as they explore fun places in the Clubhouse, enjoy a tea party, and join Minnie as she hosts her own vlog, "Me & Minnie." "Me & Mickey: In the Clubhouse+" is an extension of the popular Disney Jr. original short series "Me & Mickey."

"DISNEY JR. ARIEL – THE LITTLE MERMAID: SONGS FROM THE CRYSTAL CAVERN" (Music Videos) (Disney+ and Disney Jr.)

"Disney Jr. Ariel: The Little Mermaid – Songs from the Crystal Cavern" is a series of music videos that feature Ariel and her friends singing along to brand-new original songs.

"MICKEY & MINNIE'S HOLIDAY SONGS: HALLOWEEN" and "MICKEY & MINNIE'S HOLIDAY SONGS: CHRISTMAS" (New Holiday Shorts) (Disney+ and Disney Jr.)

Produced by: Stoopid Buddy Stoodios in association with Disney Jr. for Disney Branded Television

Director/Producer: David H. Brooks

Supervising Producer/Director: John Harvatine IV

These sing-along music videos feature Mickey, Minnie and the gang as they get into the Halloween mood and the Christmas spirit, respectively.

#### FIRST LOOKS:

"DRAGON STRIKER" (Disney + and Disney Channel)

LINK TO LOGO AND IMAGE

Produced by: La Chouette Compagnie for Disney Branded Television Co-Creator/Executive Producer: Sylvain Dos Santos Martins Rodrigues Co-Creator/Director: Charles Lefebvre

In an elite academy where sports and magic combine, farm boy Key discovers his ultrapowerful natural talent and learns he may be destined to become the legendary Dragon Striker. He joins the fierce goalkeeper Ssyelle to form a scrappy team of underdogs who take on the school champions. As Key struggles to control the raging dragon inside him and Ssyelle captains the team to a series of upset victories, they learn dark secrets of the past and uncover an ancient evil that threatens them all.

The series' logo and an exclusive new image were released today. The upcoming new series will also be highlighted at a <u>Studio Focus panel</u> taking place during the Annecy Animation Festival on Tuesday, June 10, where the creative team will take the audience on a journey through the artistic process of creating this epic fantasy adventure and share an exclusive first look at finished animation.

"SUPERKITTIES: SU-PURR ADVENTURES" (Season Two) (Disney + and Disney Jr.) LINK TO VIDEO Produced by: Sony Pictures Television – Kids in association with Disney Jr. Creator: Paula Rosenthal Executive Producers: Sarah Mullervy, Kirk Van Wormer and Audu Paden

"SuperKitties: Su-Purr Adventures" is a popular original shorts series inspired by the breakout hit preschool series "SuperKitties." The new season features Bitsy, Ginny, Sparks, and Buddy as they show off their su-purr wild skills, cat-tastic gadgets and kitty kindness in the Kittydale Wild Jungle. An exclusive first look of the new "Let's Go Su-Purr Wild" music video was released today and highlights the new "Su-Purr Wild" theme that will continue in season three of the hit series later this summer.

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