

Sesame Street Introduces Muppet with Autism

Sesame Street is welcoming a new character named Julia, the first muppet with autism. Creators of the popular television series hope Julia's character will help young children understand and become more accepting of a variety of social behaviours associated with autism. They also hope Julia will help kids with autism feel more comfortable in their own skin. In the US, approximately 1 in 68 children is on the autism spectrum. Julia's puppeteer has a son with autism and is thrilled that Sesame Street has decided to add this character to its show. Julia has already appeared in some Sesame Street storybooks, but she will make her TV debut this April.

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Vocabulary

- * Sesame Street: an educational children's program with puppets and actors that is set in a model neighbourhood
- * Muppet: a puppet character inspired by Jim Henson's The Muppet Show
- comfortable in one's own skin: comfortable with one's self, does not try to be or act like someone else
- * autism spectrum: a brain development disorder with a wide range of conditions related to social interaction and communication
- * puppeteer: a person who performs the voice and actions of a puppet
- * thrilled: very happy
- * debut: first appearance

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