

# Disney Jr, IAAC host special screening of “Mira, Royal Detective”



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Disney Junior and the Indo-American Arts Council (IAAC) hosted a special advance screening of upcoming animated series “Mira, Royal Detective” on Saturday, February 22. Cast members including Kal Penn, Leela Ladnier, Aasif Mandvi and Aparna Nancherla were in attendance.

The animated series will premiere in the U.S. on FRIDAY, MARCH 20 (11:00 a.m. EDT/PDT on Disney Channel and 7:00 p.m. EDT/PDT on Disney Junior). Disney Channel India will also be premiering a sneak-peek that same day, followed by the series premiere on Sunday, March 22. Set in the magical Indian-inspired land of Jalpur, the series introduces a brave and resourceful girl named Mira, a commoner who is appointed to the role of royal detective by the queen. Following its premiere in the U.S. and India, the series will roll out worldwide in an esti-



imated 160 countries on Disney Channel and Disney Junior platforms globally.

“Mira, Royal Detective,” which has already been ordered for a second season, stars Freida Pinto, Kal Penn, Utkarsh Ambudkar,

Hannah Simone, Jameela Jamil, Aparna Nancherla, Aasif Mandvi, Karan Soni, Maulik Pancholy, Sarayu Blue and Sarita Choudhury. Newcomer Leela Ladnier stars as the voice of Mira, alongside additional cast mem-

bers Roshni Edwards, Kamran Lucas, Karan Brar, Parvesh Cheena and Sonal Shah.

Joining the previously announced cast in recurring and guest star roles are Kunal Nayyar (“The Big Bang Theory”), Danny Pudi (Disney’s “DuckTales”), Iqbal Theba (“Glee”), Sunita Mani (“GLOW”), Karen David (“Fear the Walking Dead”), Rizwan Manji (“Perfect Harmony”), Hari Kondabolu (“Totally Biased with W. Kamau Bell”), Nardeep Khurmi (“Jane the Virgin”), Aarti Sequeira (“The Next Food Network Star”), Avantika Vandanapu (Disney+ Original Series “Diary of a Future President”), Julian Zane (Disney’s “Doc McStuffins”), Brian George (“The Big Bang Theory”), Sakina Jaffrey (“House of Cards”) and Madhur Jaffrey (“I Feel Bad”).

“IAAC is proud to support and celebrate each member of this cast and applauds the production for telling stories that celebrate the cultures and customs of India by incorporating authentic food, fashion, language and art,” said a statement from the council.

