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NEW CBC KIDS SERIES PABLO CELEBRATES CREATIVITY AND INDIVIDUALITY

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PABLO features an all-autistic cast; launching ahead of World Autism Awareness Day



CBC Kids today announced the exclusive Canadian premiere of the new animated series **PABLO** (52 x 11), airing Monday through Friday, beginning **Monday, March 26**, with back-to-back episodes at **9:30 a.m. (9:30 NT)** and **9:45 a.m. (10:00 NT)** on CBC, cbckids.ca, the [CBC TV app](#), and at watch.cbc.ca/kids. Then, beginning April 2, the series will air Monday through Friday only at 9:30 a.m. (10:00 NT). The first-ever children's series to feature an autistic central character, **PABLO** premieres ahead of World Autism Awareness Day (Monday, April 2).

The series follows Pablo, a smart and artistic five-year-old boy who is on the autism spectrum. Using his magic crayons, his imaginative drawings come to life, enabling him to face the real world with confidence. Pablo bravely turns his life challenges into fantastic adventures with the help of his Art World friends, Llama, Noa, Mouse, Draff, Tang, and Wren. Each story reflects the real-life experiences of children with autism, and has been devised, [co-written and voiced by young autistic talent](#).

“We are so proud to have this groundbreaking series make its Canadian debut on CBC,” said Marie McCann, senior director, CBC Kids. “This authentic series helps young audiences better understand the perspective of those on the autism spectrum, and its original stories are sure to resonate with Canadian families.”

PABLO was produced by Paper Owl Films for CBeebies and RTÉ Jr., in association with Kavaleer Productions and Ingenious with funding from Northern Ireland Screen and BAI and exec produced and distributed internationally by CAKE. The series successfully premiered on CBeebies and RTÉ Jr in October, and will also air on Universal Kids (US), SVT (Sweden), YLE (Finland), ABC (Australia), Hunan (China), C&J (Korea), RTHK (Hong Kong), Showmax (Africa), and on Netflix (in multiple territories).

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About Paper Owl Films

Paper Owl Films is a TV and film production company with a passion for creating awesome kids content that makes a difference. With a dedicated collective of storytellers, film makers, animators and creators across its animation and live action facility, our storytelling

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