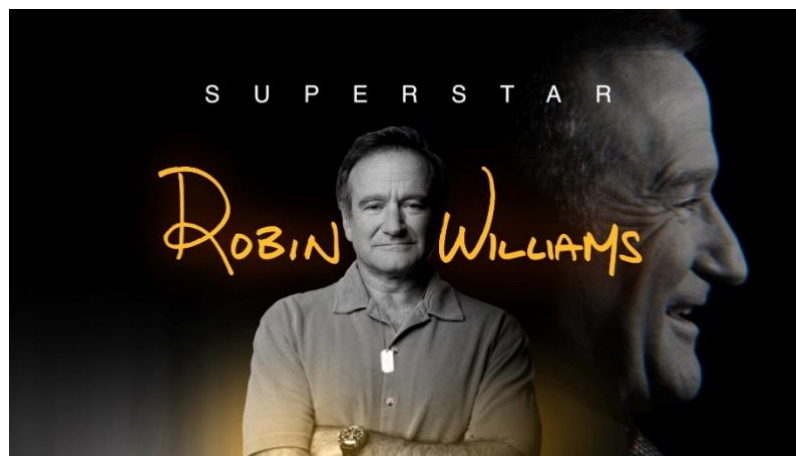


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**ABC NEWS' 'SUPERSTAR' SERIES PROFILES ROBIN WILLIAMS, ONE OF THE WORLD'S MOST BELOVED AND INVENTIVE COMEDIANS**

**TV Event Documents the Triumphs and Struggles in Williams' Journey From Stand-Up Comic to Movie Star**

**'Superstar: Robin Williams' Airs Wednesday, Oct. 20 (10:00-11:00 p.m. EDT), on ABC**



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ABC News' "Superstar" series will profile Robin Williams, one of the world's most beloved and inventive comedians. The new episode recounts his life through Williams' own voice, describing "the spark of madness" which defined his life. From his early days in the San Francisco Bay Area comedy scene to his meteoric rise on "Mork & Mindy," the one-hour special explores the experiences that made Williams into a one-of-a-kind talent and reveals what gave voice to the characters in his mind. It also chronicles the creative force driving critically acclaimed films like "Good Will Hunting" and "Dead Poets Society," as well as fan favorites such as "Aladdin." The special explores his personal struggles, including substance abuse and depression, and his battle with Lewy Body Dementia before his tragic death in 2014. "Superstar: Robin Williams" features interviews with famous comedians and actors who knew and admired Williams, including Margaret Cho, Howie Mandel, Lewis Black, Jimmie Walker, Paula Poundstone, Gina Hecht and Pauly Shore, as well as Barry Levinson, director of multiple films starring Williams including "Good Morning, Vietnam." The program also contains interviews with Williams from the ABC News archives, in which he opens up about his life and the highs and lows of his distinguished career. **"Superstar: Robin Williams" airs Wednesday, Oct. 20 (10:00-11:00 p.m. EDT), on ABC.** It can also be viewed the next day on demand and on [Hulu](https://www.hulu.com).

"Superstar" is produced by ABC News. David Sloan is senior executive producer. Muriel Pearson is executive producer.

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