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**J.R. VILLARREAL CAST IN DISNEY CHANNEL'S SUPERHERO ACTION COMEDY,
'ULTRA VIOLET & BLACK SCORPION'**

J.R. Villarreal ("Akeela and the Bee") has been cast as Cruz de la Vega, a luchador wrestling coach with the secret superhero identity "Black Scorpion" in Disney Channel's new live-action comedy series "Ultra Violet & Black Scorpion." The series (formerly titled "Ultra Violet & Blue Demon") stars Scarlett Estevez ("BUNK'D") as Violet Rodriguez, a Latinx teenager who is chosen by a magical luchador mask to be a superhero, like her uncle, Black Scorpion.

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The series also stars Marianna Burelli as Violet's mother, Nina; Juan Alfonso as Violet's father, Juan Carlos; Brandon Rossel as Violet's brother, Santiago; Zelia Ankrum as Violet's best friend, Maya Miller-Martinez; and Bryan Blanco as Violet's classmate, Luis León.

Eric Garcia and Leo Chu will be executive producers and showrunners on "Ultra Violet & Black Scorpion." Joe Nussbaum, Dan Hernandez and Benji Samit will also executive produce.

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