

## The Short List

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*Moving Back to Mister Rogers's Old Neighborhood*  
'Daniel Tiger's Neighborhood,' PBS, weekdays starting Monday



*Fred Rogers Co.*

Fred Rogers is fixed in the memories of many, but the educational-TV patriarch faded as a brand after his death in 2003. Vintage episodes of "Mister Rogers' Neighborhood" are online, but the show has largely disappeared from public television. Now, after eight years of development, the nonprofit Fred Rogers Co. is reviving the franchise. Produced by the creator of "Blues Clues," Angela Santomero, the animated show uses a modern preschool curriculum but folds in throwback references. Daniel, son of a famous Mister Rogers puppet, sports sneakers and pauses after posing questions. "I was very anxious about it," says Joanne Rogers, Mr. Rogers's widow. "What is Daniel going to look like or sound like? I cried when I saw it. Relieved, I think, and so joyful."

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