

## Gina Rodriguez "Adult Elena"

Gina Rodriguez plays adult Elena, the current President of the United States in the Disney+ original series "Diary of a Future President." Born and raised in Chicago, Rodriguez currently lives in Los Angeles and is a graduate of New York University's Tisch School of the Arts. She is best known for the title role on the series "Jane the Virgin," for which she won a Golden Globe for Best Actress in a Television Series Musical or Comedy in 2015. Her voice can be heard as "Carmen Sandiego" in the Netflix animated series playing the title character and reviving the popular character which audiences fell in love with in the 1980s and 1990s.

Gina Rodriguez's profile has been rising steadily since her breakout performance as the titular character in "Filly Brown" at the Sundance Film Festival in 2012. Named the "Next Big Thing" and one of the "Top 35 Latinos Under 35" by *The Hollywood Reporter*, Rodriguez continues to be noticed by many due to her incredible acting ability, philanthropy, producing and directing. The *Los Angeles Times* has referred to her as "forthright and formidable, a festival ingénue who deserves to be discussed in the same breath as Elizabeth Olsen and Jennifer Lawrence." She was recently named by *Time* Magazine as one of the 100 most influential people in the world and awarded *Variety's* Humanitarian Award.

Rodriguez recently wrapped production on the independent film "Unititled Heist Thriller" starring opposite Evan Rachel Wood and Richard Jenkins. Other film credits include "Annihilation," "Ferdinand," "The Star," "Deepwater Horizon," "Smallfoot," "Miss Bala," and the Netflix film "Someone Great," which she starred in and served as a producer. She is currently filming the Netflix science-fiction film "Awake."

In addition to acting, Rodriguez is a leader in supporting inclusion and the empowerment of women. This passion led her to create her production company, I Can and I Will Productions, with a mission to create art that tells stories from the traditionally unseen and unheard. She also established the We Will Foundation with her family, which is designed to focus on arts education and scholarship funding for the less fortunate, with the aim of championing and lifting up young women and men.