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Varada Sethu  
"Belinda"

Varada Sethu stars as Belinda, the Doctor's companion, alongside Ruby Sunday, in season two of "Doctor Who."

Sethu is an emerging British actress quickly gaining recognition for her captivating performances across film and television. Raised in the northeast, Sethu was a member of the National Youth Theatre and performed Bharatanatyam and Mohiniyattam. Having studied physiology at the University of Bristol, she continued her drama education at the Identity School of Acting.

Sethu made her screen debut in 2010 leading the short film "Impressions" in the role of Samena. Soon after in 2011, she played the role of Kiran in the cult gang noir film "Sket" with Adelayo Adedayo and Ashley Walters. Since then, she has steadily built a promising career, having recently been announced as one of Variety's "10 Brits to Watch" at this year's Newport Beach Festival.

Sethu will soon be seen reprising her role of Cinta Kaz in the second season of the Emmy® Award-nominated Lucasfilm series on Disney+ "Andor." Written by Tony Gilroy, the series is a prequel to "Rogue One: A Star Wars Story" and received rave reviews upon its release in 2022, boasting a 96% rating on Rotten Tomatoes. She stars opposite Diego Luna, Stellan Skarsgård, Andy Serkis, Fiona Shaw and Genevieve O'Reilly.

In 2022, Sethu played the role of Shira in "Jurassic World Dominion" with Jeff Goldblum, Laura Dern, Sam Neil, Chris Pratt and Bryce Dallas-Howard. Four years after the destruction of Isla Nebula, dinosaurs and humans now live and hunt side by side creating a fragile balance that will reshape the future. The film was an impressive continuation of the beloved franchise, topping the box office as the third highest-grossing film of 2022.



That same year, Sethu starred opposite Hugh Bonneville, George Mackay and Kelly Macdonald in the thriller miniseries "I Came By." The story centers on a graffiti artist (Mackay) who stumbles on a dark discovery, threatening the lives of not only himself but those closest to him.

In 2019 and 2020, Sethu starred in the final two seasons of the action series "Strike Back" in the role of Lt. Cpl. Manisha Chetri. The series follows the secretive military operations of Section 20 as they undertake high-risk missions on a global scale.

In 2016, she starred in the BBC One TV adaption of "A Midsummer Night's Dream" in the role of Peaseblossom with Maxine Peake, Paapa Essiedu and Matt Lucas.

Additional film and television credits include "Now You See Me 2," "Mrs Sidhu Investigates," "Doctor Foster: A Woman Scorned," "Hanna," "Hard Sun," "Annika," "Doctors," "New Blood" and "English: Autumn in London."

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