

《天线宝宝丁丁扮演者去世 曾引发同性恋争议》

不知道大家有没有看过儿童片《天线宝宝》呢?这是一部曾经红极一时的儿童英语动画片，里面的动画人物曾经很受大众喜欢。不过，你肯定不知道这些人物都是真人扮演的。天线宝宝丁丁由演员西蒙·希尔顿扮演，非常遗憾的是，52岁的他于上周三去世了。

It is reported that Simon Shelton, also known as Simon Barnes, died last Wednesday at the age of 52. He played Tinky Winky on the iconic children's TV show "Teletubbies".

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Shelton was a ballet dancer and choreographer before he was cast on "Teletubbies" as purple, purse-carrying Tinky Winky in 1998. He was the second actor cast in the role; the original actor, Dave Thompson, was canned in 1997.

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"I didn't know it would be as big as it was, but I did know as soon as I started working on it, that it had something special," he said in 2008. "It was like being the Beatles, it was wonderful!"



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But like the Beatles, the Teletubbies were occasionally controversial.

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In 1999, conservative televangelist Jerry Falwell accused Tinky Winky of “modeling the gay lifestyle,” because the character carried a purse, was purple and had a triangle-shaped antenna.

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Although Thompson admitted to playing the character as gay (a claim that got him cut from the show), Shelton dismissed the question as irrelevant.

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“People always ask me if Tinky Winky is gay,” Shelton told reporters. “But the character is supposed to be a 3-year-old, so the question is really quite silly.”

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Shelton is survived by three kids. News of his death inspired tributes from co-workers and family members.

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