

CBS Access has announced (Via EW) that both Doug Jones (Hellboy, Pan's Labyrinth) and Anthony Rapp (Rent, Junction) have joined the cast of Star Trek: Discovery. Jones will play "Lt. Saru, a Starfleet Science Officer and a new alien species to the Star Trek universe," while Rapp has been cast as astromycologist, fungus expert, and Starfleet Science Officer Lt. Stamets, who will be the franchise's first originally conceived gay character. During Star Trek Beyond it was revealed that Sulu was gay, but that was a somewhat controversial alteration to the original TV version of the ship's ensign. In addition, it's been confirmed that Michelle Yeoh will be playing Captain Georgiou, who commands the Starship Shenzhou. BREAKING: #StarTrekDiscovery beams up first three cast members: @ActorDougJones, #MichelleYeoh, and @albinokid. pic.twitter.com/2tw5uXqWxA — Star Trek: Discovery (@startrekpbs) November 29, 2016 Star Trek: Discovery is set to premiere in May on next year.

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