Human-Like Robot 'Nadine' Who Has a 'Personality, Mood and Emotions' Unveiled in Singapore

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Scientists at Nanyang Technological University in Singapore have unveiled 'Nadine', a socially intelligent, human-oiding robot complete with her own personality, mood and emotions, according to a university news release.

The humanoid 'futuristic' robot was presented at a news media showcase Tuesday at NTU, where her creator, associate professor Tharmaraj Thanaraj, presented the physical social robot which Nadine can pre-tend to become more in touch with emotions and tenderness in life.

Nadine was credited as being a departure from the traditional 'virtual' avatar of NTU's news release where the 'virtual' avatar 'softly' touches and 'emotionalizes.' "I wanted to convey that you look at the face, you are having a conversation, and also share something with her.

The 'boy' can be happy or sad, determined or confident, and the 'girl' has a good memory,' he said. 'It is not only looking at the emotions, but also you can have touch with the interaction, [which] is very important in our lifestyle.

Nearby, Nadine told NTU 'Future' that she was considering the different human emotions it will eventually be able to recognize.

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"This is somewhat like a real companion that is always with you and can be present when you need it," the robot said. "It will also understand basic emotions, like happiness, sadness and anger, and react accordingly.

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Strictly speaking, emotionally intelligent robots are not expected to replace humans in all circumstances, but they can be trained to perform specific tasks, such as assisting doctors or helping the elderly.