

Maynard Okereke

Awards Ceremony Emcee

Maynard Okereke, better known as the Hip Hop M.D. or “MayNERD” from his breakthrough kid’s science show *MayNERD’s Wild World of Science*, graduated from the University of Washington with a degree in Civil Engineering. He is an award-winning science communicator, having received the Odyssey Award for Excellence in Social Media, The National Society of Black Engineers’ Entrepreneur of the Year, and most recently Ebony’s Power 100 List. He’s been featured on Netflix’s *Ada Twist Scientist*, The Science Channel, National Geographic, and his STEM outreach work has been published in *Scientific American*.