

Hillary Diane Andales

Winner of The 2017 Breakthrough Junior Challenge, Philippines



As a young science communicator, Hillary believes that her purpose in life is to actively share the wonders of science with humanity.

She is best known as the winner of the 2017 Breakthrough Junior Challenge for creating a 3-minute video explaining relativity, besting 11,000 entries from 170 countries. Her prizes include a \$250,000 college scholarship, a \$100,000 Physics Laboratory for her school, and \$50,000 for her teacher. Currently, her video has over 7 million views across all platforms.

Aside from that, she published a problem book on mathematics called “Math Quizzer: Upper Primary.” Now, she uses social media and her blog (hillaron.com) creatively to engage more people in STEM.

Next year, she will attend the Massachusetts Institute of Technology where she intends to major in physics. She hopes to someday participate in research at the intersection of cosmology and particle physics.