

Keke Palmer "Maya Leibowitz-Jenkins"

Emmy Award-winning actress, singer, songwriter, producer and television host Keke Palmer voices Maya Leibowitz-Jenkins in Disney+'s "The Proud Family: Louder and Prouder," the long-anticipated revival of the groundbreaking animated series "The Proud Family."

This year, she is set to star as the lead in "Nope," Jordan Peele's next feature film and in "Alice," opposite Common and Johnny Lee Miller from writer and director Krystin Ver Linden. She received a 2021 Primetime Emmy Award for her portrayal of the five Taylor family members in her own series, "Turnt Up with the Taylors," which she produced with Kids at Play for Facebook Watch based on the original characters who rose to popularity on her social media.

Palmer currently lends her voice to Rochelle in the "Big Mouth" spinoff "Human Resources" and Brynn, opposite Pete Davidson, in the scripted podcast "Hit Job." She also hosts Disney+'s food competition show, "Foodtastic."

She was recently tapped to host Vogue's first-ever official Livestream for the annual Met Gala which garnered 15 million views across all platforms and 54 million minutes watched in the first 24 hours alone, with Vogue touting record breaking viewership and digital engagement around the event. She also hosted the 2020 VMA Awards which boasted a whopping 4.1 million social media impressions, the most impressions of any event that year just behind the Super Bowl. In 2020, Palmer received an Emmy Award nomination for her work as a host on ABC's "GMA3: Strahan, Sara and Keke" and hosted "Singled Out" based on the iconic 90's series. She also released two hit EP's, "Virgo Tendencies: Part 1 & 2" from her own Big Bosses record label. She hosted "Kids Pick the President" and "Our White House," the official inauguration day program for kids. She recently starred opposite Jennifer Lopez, Cardi B and Constance Wu in "Hustlers," directed by Lorene Scafaria, which was released to massive critical and popular acclaim.

Palmer rose to prominence through her breakout role in "Akeelah and the Bee" at age 12 starring opposite Angela Bassett and Laurence Fishburne and has gone on to star in over 25 films and 30 television shows. In 2018, she played the lead in the dark and gritty film, "Pimp," executive produced by Lee Daniels. She also starred in hit television show "Star," "Berlin Station" and "Scream Queens."

Keke has broken barriers from a young age, becoming the youngest actress ever to receive a SAG Award nomination in a lead actor category for her work in "The Wool Cap" at the age of 10; the youngest and first Black Cinderella in Rodgers and Hammerstein's iconic musical, "Cinderella" on Broadway; the first Black woman to star as Marty in the Emmy Award-nominated television movie version of "Grease Live!;" and the youngest talk show host in history. She is a passionate activist for the causes she believes in and an advocate for young people. She hopes to inspire her millennial contemporaries to harness their power and drive the change they hope to see in the world.

Born and raised in Chicago, Illinois, Palmer currently resides in New York.