

# ADAM RUBEN

COMEDIAN  WRITER  SCIENTIST



## Electronic Press Kit - Adam Ruben

### Overview

Adam Ruben ([adamruben.net](http://adamruben.net)) is a scientist, author, comedian, public speaker, and television host.

### Performance

Adam's performance can be tailored to the individual event. Some are traditional stand-up comedy or storytelling; some are Adam's one-man shows (*Please Don't Beat Me Up: Stories and Artifacts from Adolescence*, which focuses on bullying, and *I Feel Funny: True Misadventures in Stand-Up Comedy*, which is about the business of stand-up); some are readings/signings of his books; and some are keynote lectures. Previous presentation topics have included graduate school, "alternative" science careers, general science career advice, and the public perception of science. All topics are presented with a mixture of stand-up comedy and comedic storytelling, blended with serious advice for scientists and other academics-in-training.

### Cost

Speaking fee and travel expenses vary based on venue and scheduling. Please contact Adam directly ([adam@adamruben.net](mailto:adam@adamruben.net)) for pricing.

### Credits

Adam has been performing stand-up comedy for more than 15 years at clubs, colleges, and private venues. He teaches storytelling and stand-up comedy and performs 50-100 times a year, including two original solo shows, in more than 30 states and six countries.

Adam has been seen and heard on the Food Network's *Food Detectives*, the Science Channel's *Head Rush*, the Travel Channel's *Mysteries at the Kremlin*, the Weather Channel's *Weather Gone Viral*, the Science Channel's *How Do They Do It?*, Netflix's *The Mortified Sessions*, and National Public Radio's *All Things Considered* and *The Moth Radio Hour*. He currently hosts *Outrageous Acts of Science*, the most popular show on the Science Channel which will soon film its 100<sup>th</sup> episode.

Adam is the author of *Surviving Your Stupid, Stupid Decision to Go to Grad School* (Random House, 2010) and *Pinball Wizards: Jackpots, Drains, and My Descent into the Cult of the Silver Ball* (Chicago Review Press, 2017). He writes the humor column "Experimental Error" in the AAAS journal *Science Careers* and has also published writing in the *Washington Post*, on CNN.com, and in *National Lampoon*.

Adam earned his Bachelor's degree in Molecular Biology from Princeton University and his Ph.D. in Biology from Johns Hopkins University; he is currently the Associate Director of Vaccine Stabilization & Logistics at Sanaria Inc., where he is working to develop and license a new vaccine for malaria.