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Maureen Fan, co-founder and CEO at Baobab Studios, talks about defining her own career path and founding her company. She explains that people will often try to typecast, but you can refuse and resist. Fan shares that people are more willing to help you reach your goals when you express what you want.



Transcript

- I'm just gonna conclude that's why I love VR, that's why I love animation, but the real theme of the entire piece is to not allow anyone to ever bucket you into any category, that you can absolutely define your own path.. Like every single step of the way people were trying to tell me, even at Pixar, every step of the way people want you to be one thing or another, you just refuse to do that, and you say what it is that you want, and the people around you who respect you will help you get what it is that you want, but you have to say that you want it because you all have much more potential than you realize.. And as you grow older, you're still young and idealistic, which is great, and keep (mumbles), but there is this tendency for society to try to get you to conform to societal values of money, fame, fortune, beauty.. Just resist that and remember who you are today, because this is the version of yourself and the idealism that you wanna keep, especially if you wanna start something new...