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But my advice for young aspiring artists.

What advice would I give to a young artist?

Oh, boy.

Art is this incredibly permissive space. So I can make weird, mashed-up videos of Hollywood films and intern for a private investigator. That's an acceptable way for me to be a person in the world.

I think art is a part of literally everyday practice, and question-asking is the beginning of that.

And explore your own identity. There's no shortcut through a process to become an artist. You have to go through your own.

Try to understand why and what drives you to want to do it. And if you can hold on to that core motivation, then you'll be able to have a life as a maker.

Be very true to who you are. They'll never be anybody like you now, in the future, or before. So it's really important that you pay attention to who you are.

There's not just one path. It doesn't have to be the gallery or the art world, in that sense. You could be a public artist. You could be a graphic designer. And you could do both at the same time. You could jump into one facet to another. You could just make it as big as you want. You're an artist.

I think for younger artists that are interested or think they might want to make art, I think all that other-- just to be aware of all these other projects you can take on are going to be-- are going to tell you what you can do with your work. As a teacher, as a college professor, I wouldn't tell a student not to go to college and do art. But I think you definitely need more than that.

Be multidimensional. Be everywhere at once, if you can be, and just focus on your art and keep your imagination going. Be better than what you are. The goal of any human is to be more than what you were designed to be.

I would say to continue making and making and making and making. But always be open to working in many different ways and being playful with your practice. And I think that that can always lead you to very exciting places.

And whatsoever. However, I would wish them luck, luck in finding their inner voice and their freedom.

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