My name is Kathryn Flanagan and I am the Deputy Director of the Space Telescope Science Institute.

We have the privilege of providing the science operations for the Hubble Space Telescope and we will operate both the science and mission operations for the James Webb Space Telescope in 2018.

By nature, I'm somewhat adaptable. My father was in the Army and I moved pretty much every year until I got to college so I had 12 schools.

After college, I decided to join the Peace Corps which was one of my great dreams basically coming from the Kennedy Inaugural speech quite frankly and I taught Math and Physics in the Republic of Zaire which is in Central Africa.

There I became very aware that I believe in the power of dreams that we should all have a dream, that we are inspired by dreams and that dreams provide a richness to our life
that material possessions cannot match.

The privilege of being the Deputy Director of an institution like this, to be able to operate NASA's missions and to produce excellent science for the world is a dream.

I feel you should do what you love.

And you should not worry about whether or not it's possible or not possible.

You should start out assuming that's what you're going to be doing because I'll bet even money that's what you will be doing.

Do you what you love and love what you do.

In my opinion, everybody who works in this business is really energized by what we get to do because we make a difference.