



SOUND BITES

NASA
PEOPLE &
CAREERS

INSIGHTS TO INSPIRE

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My first experience with NASA\h
was a Pathways internship.\h\h

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And, I think one of my favorite parts of being\h
selected for the Icing Research Tunnel is the\h\h

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fact that I learned how much of an impact we have\h
on the airplane industry. Because you always hear\h\h

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about the space stuff, but a huge part of NASA\h
is making sure that we are safe when we fly.\h\h

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I went back to Puerto Rico finished\h
my degree, I've been here ever since.

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Hi my name is Gretchen Morales-Valle, I am an\h
electrical test engineer for the Icing Research\h\h

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Tunnel over at NASA's Glenn Research Center.
Hopefully still in NASA! I really do enjoy my\h\h

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work here. I feel like even with three years\h
at my role, I still have so much to learn.\h

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A photography director for movies. That is\h
one of the hobbies that I enjoy the most.\h

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Love to play video games. I have PlayStation and\h
Xbox. I play on PC, I play VR, I played them all.\h

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I would tell, you know, my younger self that
there is no need to have everything figured out,\h\h

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that I don't have to be good at something right
away in order for me to enjoy it. The only thing\h\h

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you need to be an engineer is an engineering
degree, right? You don't need to be a certain\h\h

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type of way or do a certain type of thing or
have a certain type of interest. So I would just\h\h

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love to just tell younger people, the
younger generation, that we need them.\h

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My newly adopted cat Katana. She
is five months old, I think now.\h

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My pandemic hobby has been roller
skating. I realized that I needed\h\h

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something to be active and get outdoors
because I'm a very indoors type person.\h

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I was born in San Juan the majority
of my life I lived in Bayamón.\h\h

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So if anybody asked me where I'm from, I
definitely always say Bayamón Puerto Rico.\h

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I have a brother, his name is Gabriel.\h

I have a sister her name is Grace.\h

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There was a point where I was trying to figure\h
out—am I in the right role, am I doing the right\h\h

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thing, are all of these energies and money that\h
I'm putting into it, is it all going to be worth\h\h

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it? In the end am I going to be able to find\h
a job? And so when you have people in your ear\h\h

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telling you I don't sound like an engineer, \h
don't look like an engineer. I enjoy makeup and\h\h

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photography and doodling and stuff like that.\h
And, obviously, you know it's not traditional,\h\h