MARIANA N.

Imaginative, Immersed, Enthusiastic

"It's kind of **fun** to do the **impossible**."

- Walt Disney



BIOGRAPHY



When she started with the 49ers STEM Leadership Institute (SLI) in 7th grade, she immediately enjoyed how immersive the program was, with design challenges every week and learning how to use new devices like the laser cutter and 3D printer. Since then, she has taken part in many competitions and showcases including the San Jose Tech Museum's Tech Challenge, Maker Faire, and FIRST Tech Challenge. She has also participated in multiple science fairs, winning an award for her Synopsys science fair project in 2015. Outside of SLI, Mariana enjoys performing in school plays, drawing, and combining her tech and artistic skills in animation projects.