

THE FUTURE IS HERS

Finding equity through art, featuring Phoebe Boswell

Phoebe Boswell is a visual artist who, through her work, advocates for African citizens to use their power to change the narrative around Africa. She was a 2019-20 Africa No Filter fellow, funded by the Ford Foundation and other donors. This video transcript is part of the *Future Is Hers* multimedia series, celebrating innovators, risk-takers, and change makers who have impacted the lives of women and girls around the globe.

Transcript begins.

[on-screen text: Phoebe Boswell, Africa No Filter Fellow]

[A Black woman, wearing a black dress with bright-red stars, matching star jewelry, and bright-red lipstick, opens and closes a clapperboard and addresses the camera.]

PHOEBE BOSWELL: I grew up as an expatriate, very much feeling the freedom of being a person of the world, a citizen of the world, not caring too much about race or class or gender—which was an amazing childhood in a way, but I also didn't really acknowledge or appreciate how the world perhaps would see me as a woman and as a Black person. My work becomes a place where I can define myself in terms that are mine, not terms that are placed upon me.

[on-screen graphic: Ford Foundation logo]

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