

Adrian Mitchell

Quotes

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Most people ignore most poetry because most poetry ignores most people.

~Adrian Mitchell

Poetry is an extra hand. It can caress or tickle. It can clench and fight.

~Adrian Mitchell

Stadium rock and commercial rock are the opposite of what poetry needs. An audience of around 200 is ideal for poetry.

~Adrian Mitchell

When I am sad and weary
When I think all hope has gone
When I walk along High Holborn
I think of you with nothing on

~Adrian Mitchell

I want to speak, to sing to total strangers. It's my way of talking to the world.

~Adrian Mitchell

There have always been poets who performed. Blake sang his Songs of Innocence and Experience to parties of friends.

~Adrian Mitchell

I was run over by the truth one day.
Ever since the accident I've walked
this way

~Adrian Mitchell

I don't like writing essays or theory.

~Adrian Mitchell

I use rock and jazz and blues rhythms because I love that music. I hope my poetry has a relationship with good-time rock'n roll.

~Adrian Mitchell

Written poetry is different. Best thing is to see it in performance first, then read it. Performance is more provocative.

~Adrian Mitchell

The man who believes in giraffes would swallow anything.

~Adrian Mitchell

I would have walked on the water
But I wasn't fully insured.
And the BMA
sent a writ my way
With the very first leper I cured.

~Adrian Mitchell

Lovers lie around in it
Broken glass is found in it
Grass I like that stuff

~Adrian Mitchell

I use the language I use to my friends. They wouldn't believe me if I used some high-flown literary language. I want them to believe me.

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