

# Alain Badiou

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Views, Love Is, People, Encounters, Mean, Humanity, Miracle, Serenity,  
Communism, Cinema*

Love without risk is an impossibility, like war without death.

~Alain Badiou

Evil is the moment when I lack the strength to be true to the Good that compels me.

~Alain Badiou

Love and politics are the two great figures of social engagement. Politics is enthusiasm with a collective; with love, two people. So love is the minimal form of communism.

~Alain Badiou

Those who have nothing have only their discipline.

~Alain Badiou

Liberal capitalism is not at all the Good of humanity. Quite the contrary; it is the vehicle of savage, destructive nihilism.

~Alain Badiou

All resistance is a rupture with what is. And every rupture begins, for those engaged in it, through a rupture with oneself.

~Alain Badiou

Love can only consist in failure...on the fallacious assumption that it is a relationship. But it is not. It is a production of truth.

~Alain Badiou

There is a kind of serenity in love which is almost a paradise.

~Alain Badiou

Evil is the interruption of a truth by the pressure of particular or individual interests.

~Alain Badiou

Emancipatory politics always consists in making seem possible precisely that which, from within the situation, is declared to be impossible.

~Alain Badiou

In love, fidelity signifies this extended victory: the randomness of an encounter defeated day after day through the invention of what will endure.

~Alain Badiou

If you limit yourself to sexual pleasure it's narcissistic. You don't connect with the other, you take what pleasure you want from them.

~Alain Badiou

The ethic of truth is the complete opposite of an 'ethics of communication'. It is an ethic of the Real The ethic of truth is absolutely opposed to opinion, and to ethics in general.

~Alain Badiou

In order to improve democracy, then, it's necessary to change the people, as Brecht ironically proposed.

~Alain Badiou

There is no ethics in general. There are only-eventually-ethics of processes by which we treat the possibilities of a situation.

~Alain Badiou

We have the riots we deserve.

~Alain Badiou

Art attests to what is inhuman in man.

~Alain Badiou

Without mathematics, we are blind.

~Alain Badiou

Love is not a contract between two narcissists.

~Alain Badiou

In my view, only those who have had the courage to work through Lacan's anti-philosophy without faltering deserve to be called 'contemporary philosophers'.

~Alain Badiou

I feel really assured by the fact that the women I have loved I have loved for always.

~Alain Badiou

The cinema is a place of intrinsic indiscernibility between art and non-art.

~Alain Badiou

Truth is a new word in Europe (and elsewhere).

~Alain Badiou

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