

Alejandro Jodorowsky

Quotes

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We all exist in our own personal reality of craziness.

~Alejandro Jodorowsky

Failure doesn't mean anything, it just means changing paths.

~Alejandro Jodorowsky

One day, someone showed me a glass of water that was half full. And he said, "Is it half full or half empty?" So I drank the water. No more problem.

~Alejandro Jodorowsky

You live in the image you have of the world. Every one of us lives in a different world, with different space and different time.

~Alejandro Jodorowsky

Birds born in a cage think flying is an illness.

~Alejandro Jodorowsky

Maybe if literature was prohibited the same way as cocaine, people out of pure curiosity would try to get a couple of lines

~Alejandro Jodorowsky

Every one of us is a perfect human being, deformed by the family, the society and the culture.

~Alejandro Jodorowsky

Have a dream. Fight to do a dream. Don't ask if it is possible to do something or if not possible. Try to do it!

~Alejandro Jodorowsky

Most directors make films with their eyes; I make films with my testicles.

~Alejandro Jodorowsky

Normality is to be different. Every person is a different person. And one day you need to be aware of your difference. Aware that you are not the same as the others. That is to be normal.

~Alejandro Jodorowsky

Let the inner god that is in each one of us speak. The temple is your body, and the priest is your heart: it is from here that every awareness must begin.

~Alejandro Jodorowsky

The only thing a master can teach is how to learn about yourself. There are no secrets. They are only techniques to waken yourself.

~Alejandro Jodorowsky

Every mind has another vision of reality. There is not a common reality. Every person thinks he is like the others, but every person is different, living in his own psychology.

~Alejandro Jodorowsky

Life is a mixing of all kind of things: comedy and tragedy going together.

~Alejandro Jodorowsky

People say I am mad. I am not mad. I am trying to heal my soul.

~Alejandro Jodorowsky

One does not go to the theater to escape from himself, but to reestablish contact with the mystery that we all are.

~Alejandro Jodorowsky

My writing routine is everyday I put a record on, the same one since 20 years. Then I burn a stick of incense, I put perfume here on the insides of my soles, I paint my left testicle red, and I write.

~Alejandro Jodorowsky

I am not a normal person. I am living in a normal body, but my mind is not normal.

~Alejandro Jodorowsky

You are excrement. You can change yourself into gold.

~Alejandro Jodorowsky

When the bull's-eye becomes as big in your mind as an elephant, you are sure to hit it.

~Alejandro Jodorowsky

I wanted to make a film that gave the people who took LSD at that time the hallucinations that you get with that drug, but without hallucinating.

~Alejandro Jodorowsky

For a true artist, difficulties become opportunities and clouds become solid present.

~Alejandro Jodorowsky

I am an artist, you understand? For me, a picture is like poetry. When you make art, this is not coming from an intellectual place. It's coming from the deep side of your unconscious, your soul.

~Alejandro Jodorowsky

One becomes wise only in measures, as he goes through his own insanity.

~Alejandro Jodorowsky

I never know if my picture is a good picture or a bad picture, because I'm not making pictures thinking of the public, I'm making pictures to realize myself.

~Alejandro Jodorowsky

If art is not a medicine for the society, it is a poison.

~Alejandro Jodorowsky

Birds born in cages think that flying is a disease.

~Alejandro Jodorowsky

You are engaging in madness. I feel obliged to accompany you.

~Alejandro Jodorowsky

Every artist - even if they do Superman, they do Batman, and things like that - they are speaking about his life. Every person, every artist makes his life an artwork.

~Alejandro Jodorowsky

Humanity are not individuals; we are collective. And if we have difference, we have wars all the time. We have crisis. We need to open our mind. This is the only solution we have.

~Alejandro Jodorowsky

For art to be art it has to cure.

~Alejandro Jodorowsky

I want to liberate my imagination and my mind with every kind of movie. That is what I wanted to do all my life.

~Alejandro Jodorowsky

You can't have a masterpiece without madness.

~Alejandro Jodorowsky

Art gives to you a new conception of reality, opens your mind, opens your heart, opens your desire of action.

~Alejandro Jodorowsky

I think the art of filmmaking is something you learn through actions, by doing it, not by learning theories. And as you do it, your mind starts to

change.

~Alejandro Jodorowsky

Movies have heart. Have mind. Have power. Have ambition.

~Alejandro Jodorowsky

Words don't heal. Art heals!

~Alejandro Jodorowsky

The mole is an animal that digs passages searching for the sun. Sometimes he reaches the surface. When he looks at the sun he goes blind.

~Alejandro Jodorowsky

Five cats and a woman. That is all I need in life.

~Alejandro Jodorowsky

My consciousness is without limits more than when I was 40 or 50.

~Alejandro Jodorowsky

If you are great, 'El Topo' is a great picture. If you are limited, 'El Topo' is limited.

~Alejandro Jodorowsky

I am like the rain, I go where I'm needed.

~Alejandro Jodorowsky

My father was a monster. A monster! I cut with my family when I was 23 and I never see them again.

~Alejandro Jodorowsky

I don't regret any past. I am not there. I am not sorry not to make pictures, because I know one day I will do it. I intend to live 150 years.

~Alejandro Jodorowsky

The planet is ill, everyone knows that. But I need to be optimistic, otherwise I would just be adding to the negativity. So every night I come on Madrid TV and read a piece of good news.

~Alejandro Jodorowsky

When you put a great amount of energy and hope in a big project, you can be destroyed if you don't do it. But myself, I say: "To fail is only to see the way to fail."

~Alejandro Jodorowsky

Life is a way of perfection. You need to work on yourself. You become a good person. If you do your work you will discover sublime feelings.

~Alejandro Jodorowsky

I don't want to make a style. Not tragedy, not comedy. Life is a mixing of all kind of things: comedy and tragedy going together.

~Alejandro Jodorowsky

A man doesn't cry. In my life, I've never cried. I cannot do it. I am a man. How will I cry?

~Alejandro Jodorowsky

I shoot in Mexico, but I can shoot in India, anywhere. I have no nationality myself. My nationality is the planet.

~Alejandro Jodorowsky

My wife is 37 years younger than me. I don't feel the difference.

~Alejandro Jodorowsky

I write books, I write for comic books, I give lectures... I live. And when the opportunity comes to do a picture, I do a picture.

~Alejandro Jodorowsky

I don't live in France; I live in myself.

~Alejandro Jodorowsky

I am not a commercial industry creator. I don't believe in making art to make money.

~Alejandro Jodorowsky

I ask of cinema what most North Americans ask of psychedelic drugs.

~Alejandro Jodorowsky

In Chile they have no movies. They have awful popular movies. I am not a Latin American creator.

~Alejandro Jodorowsky

It's very difficult to live with religious ideas. I can't compare religion to the movies. I can fuse them.

~Alejandro Jodorowsky

I don't see myself as a moviemaker only, you know? When I can do a picture, I do. But I don't work like a business, in pictures. I am not obliged to make one picture after the other in order to live.

~Alejandro Jodorowsky

The world is how we see the world. Some people see the world good, the other people see the world bad. Every person has an idea of the world with a subjective [viewpoint].

~Alejandro Jodorowsky

I believe in mysticism, with an interior goal, and you are your own temple and your own priest.

~Alejandro Jodorowsky

I was raping Frank Herbert, but with love.

~Alejandro Jodorowsky

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