

Alexis Ohanian Quotes

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Facebook makes me hate the people I know, and Reddit makes me love the people I don't.

~Alexis Ohanian

It takes discipline not to let social media steal your time.

~Alexis Ohanian

If you want to succeed, you've got to be okay to just lose control.

~Alexis Ohanian

The great thing about the Internet is, it's the freest marketplace of ideas that there is.

~Alexis Ohanian

The surveillance state has run amok. Technology that's enabled us to send selfies 24/7 - not that valuable - has also enabled us to be spied upon us 24/7.

~Alexis Ohanian

I hate phone calls so I believe in a telephone armistice. To me, the idea of calling someone unprompted is basically saying, 'Hey, stop whatever you're doing and talk to me right now.'

~Alexis Ohanian

There was a clear lesson here â€” and that was that the Internet loves Mister Splashy Pants.

~Alexis Ohanian

Entrepreneur is just French for 'has ideas, does them'.

~Alexis Ohanian

We don't even realize something is broken until someone else shows us a better way

~Alexis Ohanian

The first version of everything is janky.

~Alexis Ohanian

Every founder has to delude themselves into thinking, "Yes, it's going to be big. It's going to take over the world."

~Alexis Ohanian

The social-media landscape changes incredibly fast, so you have to be open-minded and nimble to keep up with it.

~Alexis Ohanian

Let's do 150 stops. Let's go to 75 universities, and let's spread this gospel of Internet entrepreneurship everywhere we go.

~Alexis Ohanian

You can throw - and we've seen plenty of these kinds of companies - millions of dollars in advertising for a website or a service, and in the end if it's not useful no one's going to use it.

~Alexis Ohanian

If I were a snarky Reddit user though, I would say, hypothetically, that that would just be like reading Reddit's Front Page a day later. But I'm not going to go there.

~Alexis Ohanian

The people who are going to be succeeding are not going to be waiting around for anyone's permission.

~Alexis Ohanian

What one realizes there is that we are not in control of the [reddit] community, in any way, shape or form. We have no power over it and so we've lost this total control.

~Alexis Ohanian

If you look now, more than ever new entrants, new upstarts, are able to grow so much faster than they could before.

~Alexis Ohanian

There is a much bigger issue with student loan rates, the cost of tuition; those are some huge problems that need to be resolved.

~Alexis Ohanian

I actually haven't even found a curriculum in America that is really preparing people for this 21st century world.

~Alexis Ohanian

If I'm at the University of Georgia and I can't inspire this room full of students, OK, fine. I'm not going to take it personally. Maybe a little bit, but I'll be all right.

~Alexis Ohanian

The goal shouldn't be to be the next Silicon Valley (there'll always only be one of those) - it's to be your own startup community.

~Alexis Ohanian

It's a lot easier to convince uninformed people than it is to convince politicians.

~Alexis Ohanian

Let's say you're all worried about student-loan debt and you need to have steady income. That doesn't have to be your everything.

~Alexis Ohanian

I like sarcasm. I like snark.

~Alexis Ohanian

Raise \$500 for a thing you care about because you actually get the experience of taking an idea and actually doing it. There are fewer and

fewer excuses not to.

~Alexis Ohanian

The first step, and the thing that everyone has to do right on the Internet is make something people want.

~Alexis Ohanian

No, everyone has great ideas, but what makes a difference, especially online, or just in life, is actually doing it; getting that first version out there.

~Alexis Ohanian

I try to help founders as much as I can, but so many of us we won't even take meetings with people who still just have an idea, because everyone has an idea.

~Alexis Ohanian

Everything is derivative. Everything is a remix, and we all stand on the shoulders of giants - a great phrase.

~Alexis Ohanian

I want to be in an industry where the upstarts can grow and displace the incumbents, because that's why there's so much innovation.

~Alexis Ohanian

Net neutrality is one where we the people are definitely on the ropes.

~Alexis Ohanian

Can we imagine the United States without electricity? No, that would be pretty hard. Likewise, we can't really imagine being without an open Internet. The cost would be so grave, so serious.

~Alexis Ohanian

The reality is, there's still so much we haven't yet figured out. There's

still so much stuff that has not been made more, frankly, efficient.

~Alexis Ohanian

I can't begrudge anyone who opts to get a job instead of creating one for themselves.

~Alexis Ohanian

Nothing will replace good journalism.

~Alexis Ohanian

At the end of the day, how many ads did it take to convince you to use Facebook or Twitter? It wasn't marketing or advertising that convinced you to use these services. It was their value.

~Alexis Ohanian

It turns out the Internet is this amazing resource for everyone who has access to it.

~Alexis Ohanian

I think everyone should learn how to code.

~Alexis Ohanian

The Internet is, as a communication platform and a learning platform, unparalleled because whether you want to learn something or share something, it's simply a few clicks away.

~Alexis Ohanian

Do not be scared of the incumbents.

~Alexis Ohanian

If I didn't believe in rooting for founders and investing in founders, I'd be a bit of a hypocrite.

~Alexis Ohanian

We all have great ideas. No one ever says, "I've got this terrible idea."

~Alexis Ohanian

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