

Alice Neel

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I don't paint like a woman is supposed to paint. Thank God, art doesn't bother about things like that.

~Alice Neel

Art is two things: a search for a road and a search for freedom.

~Alice Neel

All experience is great providing you live through it. If it kills you, you've gone too far.

~Alice Neel

Whether I'm painting or not, I have this overweening interest in humanity. Even if I'm not working, I'm still analyzing people.

~Alice Neel

You know it's very hard to maintain a theory in the face of life that comes crashing about you.

~Alice Neel

The minute I sat in front of a canvas I was happy. Because it was a world, and I could do what I liked in it.

~Alice Neel

Like Chekhov, I am a collector of souls... if I hadn't been an artist, I could have been a psychiatrist.

~Alice Neel

You can't leave humanity out. If you didn't have humanity, you wouldn't have anything.

~Alice Neel

Lucky for me, as old as I am, I can still change.

~Alice Neel

Cezanne said, 'I love to paint people who have grown old naturally in the country.' And I say I love to paint people who have been torn to shreds by the rat race in New York.

~Alice Neel

When I was in my studio I didn't give a damn what sex I was... I thought art is art.

~Alice Neel

The place where I had freedom most was when I painted. I was completely and utterly myself.

~Alice Neel

If you're sufficiently tenacious and interested, you can accomplish what you want to accomplish in this world.

~Alice Neel

Nobody knows what makes good art. As an artist, when it happens, you're grateful, and then you get on with it.

~Alice Neel

I thought you had to give up a lot for art, and you did. It required complete concentration. It also required that whatever money you had had to be put into art materials.

~Alice Neel

I know all the theory of everything but when I paint I don't think of anything except the subject and me.

~Alice Neel

When women finally get liberated, they'll do the same that men do - dog eat dog - that's what our culture is.

~Alice Neel

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