

# Alix Kates Shulman

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Wind, Writing, Book, Character, Husband, Mortality, Age, Way, Inequality,  
Choices*

Within walking distance of any spot on Earth there's probably more than enough mystery to investigate in a lifetime.

~Alix Kates Shulman

Sexism goes so deep that at first it's hard to see; you think it's just reality.

~Alix Kates Shulman

Fiction is ideally suited to re-creating the important emotional aspects of history.

~Alix Kates Shulman

There is still nothing like equality for women in jobs, in family. There's just an awareness that inequality is not acceptable.

~Alix Kates Shulman

My mirror image always had to be interpreted. And for that I sought my reflection in someone else's eyes.

~Alix Kates Shulman

Being alone for a woman is probably much more scary than for a man. I'm all for getting over our fears by facing them head-on.

~Alix Kates Shulman

Everything is connected. There is no such thing as an island, especially in our world, global village, the whole thing. Pollution from way across the ocean circulates in the air.

~Alix Kates Shulman

Many people spend the ends of their lives alone, and probably a lot of years in the middle of their lives, and I'm glad I had the opportunity to experience the rewards of solitude.

~Alix Kates Shulman

Usually, ordinary histories don't get the emotional feel of a period. That's what a novel can do.

~Alix Kates Shulman

In my books, my idea is always to explore social context and social forces.

~Alix Kates Shulman

Our society has very much limited our choices, even regarding the food we think acceptable.

~Alix Kates Shulman

When you witness the end of a life up close day by day, you begin to understand time and mortality in profound ways. You see time's relativity, death's necessity.

~Alix Kates Shulman

For many decades my relations with my parents constituted unfinished business. I had dealt with them through sheer avoidance and guilt.

~Alix Kates Shulman

One important part of historical recording is to get people of another generation to understand the feelings, the passion that went into social transformation. That's why oral history is so valuable.

~Alix Kates Shulman

Solitude offers a lot that being coupled or being in a group does not. It helps us learn what we are capable of.

~Alix Kates Shulman

For two years I watched my parents' lives wind to a close. This made me aware of old age as a one stage, the final one, of a long journey.

~Alix Kates Shulman

I see old age not as something to hide from or dread (though there is much to oppose in the usual treatment of the old) but rather as something to embrace as the natural and inevitable end.

~Alix Kates Shulman

I don't really think myself that sex work is necessarily more demeaning than other kinds of demeaning work.

~Alix Kates Shulman

The world is abundant with food for us, and with everything we need, if only we just open our eyes. There's so much food that gets thrown out or never harvested.

~Alix Kates Shulman

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