

# Alvin Lee

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I'd love to change the world, but I don't know what to do

~Alvin Lee

Strangely enough, through all those school years I decided at 13 or 14 I was going to be a musician and so school was just something to get out of the way, a waste of time and not to bother with it.

~Alvin Lee

I began to learn a lot of chords and rhythms. It was a bit boring at the time but came in very handy later on.

~Alvin Lee

I started off playing the clarinet, after I was inspired by listening to my dad's Benny Goodman records.

~Alvin Lee

They have decided to tour under the name of Ten Years After which I don't think is very cool. To be honest, they have had to do that as it's the only way they can get any work.

~Alvin Lee

So if you see Ten Years After, it's not me anymore. I'm very happy with what I am doing now.

~Alvin Lee

Anywhere you go in the world is what you make of it, not what you read in books.

~Alvin Lee

The chances of a reunion now are less likely. I was thinking of having a 40th anniversary of the band, but now they are really another band, so it's all a bit weird.

~Alvin Lee

I think a lot of modern day guitarists start off playing like Eddie van Halen, and they don't take the time to learn the basics.

~Alvin Lee

It was by listening to Goodman's band, that I began to notice the guitarist Charlie Christian, who was one of the first musicians to play solos in a big band set-up.

~Alvin Lee

I think I'll continue to work as a solo artist.

~Alvin Lee

I went to see John Mayall at the Marquee, with Peter Green on guitar, and that was a particularly good gig.

~Alvin Lee

George Harrison was also a pleasure to work with. He was one of the most famous people I've ever known, but in spite of that fame, he was such a nice and friendly guy.

~Alvin Lee

There is a big age gap between my sisters Janice and Irma and myself so I didn't know them that well when I was younger although they have been very supportive in later life.

~Alvin Lee

It will be the first time I've played live with a double bass.

~Alvin Lee

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