

Amanda Palmer Quotes

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Men, Helping, Giving, Balance, Motivation, Rocks, Hate, Challenges, Musician*

When we really see each other, we want to help each other.

~Amanda Palmer

In both the art and the business worlds, the difference between the amateurs and the professionals is simple: The professionals know they're winging it. The amateurs pretend they're not.

~Amanda Palmer

Collecting the dots. Then connecting them. And then sharing the connections with those around you. This is how a creative human works. Collecting, connecting, sharing.

~Amanda Palmer

Asking for help with shame says: You have the power over me. Asking with condescension says: I have the power over you. But asking for help with gratitude says: We have the power to help each other.

~Amanda Palmer

I don't think of myself as particularly cursed or blessed. I think I got dealt a set of cards, and I'm playing with them, sometimes in heels, sometimes in combat boots.

~Amanda Palmer

When you're afraid of someone's judgment, you can't connect with them. You're too preoccupied with the task of impressing them.

~Amanda Palmer

In other words, let's give our young women the right weapons to fight with as they charge naked into battle, instead of ordering them to get back in the house and put some goddamn clothes on.

~Amanda Palmer

Art is food for the soul, and an artistic climate is a healthy climate because it breeds empathy.

~Amanda Palmer

I crave intimacy to the same burning degree that I detest commitment.

~Amanda Palmer

I think people have been obsessed with the wrong question, which is how do we make people pay for music? What if we started asking, how do we let people pay for music?

~Amanda Palmer

The world needs actual excitement and emotion more than it needs cool people.

~Amanda Palmer

When you trust people to help you, they often do.

~Amanda Palmer

For most of human history, musicians, artists, they've been part of the community "connectors and openers, not untouchable stars.

~Amanda Palmer

When you're an artist, nobody ever tells you or hits you with the magic wand of legitimacy. You have to hit your own head with your own handmade wand. And you feel stupid doing it.

~Amanda Palmer

You know what's really cool? Wake up every morning, decide what you feel like doing, and do it.

~Amanda Palmer

I hate being ignored.

~Amanda Palmer

The perfect tools aren't going to help us if we can't face each other and

give and receive fearlessly, but more important, to ask without shame.

~Amanda Palmer

The challenge is to just focus on what's actually happening, focus on the people who get it, and focus on the people who are listening.

~Amanda Palmer

Crowdfunding as an idea itself isn't new - bands have been doing it since the dawn of time.

~Amanda Palmer

I still get laughed at but it doesn't bother me, I'm just so glad to hear laughter around me.

~Amanda Palmer

The pattern's laid out on the bed With dozens of colors of thread But you've got the needle I guess that's the point in the end

~Amanda Palmer

If we can repair things emotionally, a lot of other things would follow.

~Amanda Palmer

Our nature is to desperately want to believe and to take what we believe is the quickest path there even against our better judgment.

~Amanda Palmer

I maintain couchsurfing and crowdsurfing are basically the same thing
â€” you're falling into the audience and you're trusting each other.

~Amanda Palmer

I think to say that meditation is helpful to artists is true and it's great, but it's also essentially helpful to any kind of process of, just, life.

~Amanda Palmer

If you love people enough, they will give you everything.

~Amanda Palmer

The challenge in my life really is keeping the balance between feeling creatively energized and fulfilled without feeling overwhelmed and like I'm in the middle of a battlefield.

~Amanda Palmer

Eat the pain. Send it back into the void as love.

~Amanda Palmer

I have a handful of really close relationships in my life and I depend on those people heavily to carry me through and to help me stay steady.

~Amanda Palmer

If you come across an American artist right now who has no political opinions or is afraid of talking politics, be very concerned.

~Amanda Palmer

I think performance art comes from a simple place of wanting to express things beyond just sound.

~Amanda Palmer

I suffer mornings most of all I feel so powerless and small By ten o'clock I'm back in bed Fighting the jury in my head

~Amanda Palmer

I get really fantastic results when I just get out of my own way.

~Amanda Palmer

When you cannot joke about the darkness of life, that's when the darkness takes over.

~Amanda Palmer

Those who can ask without shame are viewing themselves in collaboration with-rather than in competition with-the world.

~Amanda Palmer

Every album is just a greatest hits of whatever songs are on a pile when I go in to make a record.

~Amanda Palmer

Bands like Nirvana had theatrical sensibilities, playing with image, challenging assumptions people were making about them, the apex being Kurt Cobain in a dress to make a point.

~Amanda Palmer

I firmly believe in music being as free as possible. Unlocked. Shared and spread. In order for artists to survive and create, their audiences need to step up and directly support them.

~Amanda Palmer

Nothing is crueller than children who come from good homes.

~Amanda Palmer

I think a good role model has to be sexy. Real, empowered, self-possessed women are sexy. When you're really in control of your choices, your mood, your body, and your opinions, people find you sexy.

~Amanda Palmer

I don't feel at home in New Orleans. I don't feel at home in Austin or L.A. And I just felt immediately at home in northern Australia.

~Amanda Palmer

The stage show is, in some sense, highly theatrical. It's definitely not just a band in jeans playing rock and roll.

~Amanda Palmer

You are an artist when you make someone feel something deep and unexpected.

~Amanda Palmer

Sometimes I have a terrible feeling that I am dying not from the virus, but from being untouchable.

~Amanda Palmer

I think one of the greatest gifts you can give to someone is just access to the possibility of freedom that you don't have to be totally depressed and enslaved by your own environment.

~Amanda Palmer

I'm still trying to express my truth, my place in the world, my belief.

~Amanda Palmer

There's really no honor in proving that you can carry the entire load on your own shoulders. And it's lonely.

~Amanda Palmer

How do we let people pay for music?

~Amanda Palmer

I get so many ideas for songs, but I'm so seldom disciplined enough to sit down and crank them out.

~Amanda Palmer

I was just a very dark kid. My family was complicated.

~Amanda Palmer

I had very literal parents and I wanted to survive with metaphor and art, and there was a real sense of shame around it.

~Amanda Palmer

I'm a massive fan of David Lynch and 'Twin Peaks.'

~Amanda Palmer

I suppose I'm happy to sell my time and energy, but I'm not happy to sell my initial creative time.

~Amanda Palmer

There's a huge cloud of shame around art and business being seen as bedfellows.

~Amanda Palmer

Thank God my best friend's a therapist.

~Amanda Palmer

We can only connect the dots we collect, which makes everything you write about you... your connections are the thread that you weave into the cloth that becomes the story that only you can tell.

~Amanda Palmer

I draw the line at letting people into my songwriting cave. To me, that's where the alchemy happens and where the mystery is.

~Amanda Palmer

I kind of rely on my artist friends to make my physical music worth buying by having them all come together and create beautiful artwork that everyone is gonna want to own to support my record.

~Amanda Palmer

I feel like I've gotten to the point in my career and in my life where I can allow myself to write whatever comes into my head and not judge it too harshly.

~Amanda Palmer

I don't try to make anybody outside happy.

~Amanda Palmer

If I simply do what I've always done, it's never failed me.

~Amanda Palmer

I think I've always felt as a band and as a musician and a music business person, I've always felt like an outsider, period.

~Amanda Palmer

One thing about being a performer is you're not just doing an intellectual job behind a desk; you're out there performing and being looked at, being assessed for really superficial stuff.

~Amanda Palmer

The impulse to connect the dots - and to share what you've connected - is the urge that makes you an artist

~Amanda Palmer

Twitter fascinates me because it's real. It feels kind of unreal, but it makes very real things happen.

~Amanda Palmer

Nobody ever sees me. Thank you.

~Amanda Palmer

When you connect with people, they want to help you.

~Amanda Palmer

I have never in my career embarked on a journey towards controversy. I have never deliberately set a flame.

~Amanda Palmer

It is terrifying to people when women step up and start owning the story that they have not owned. And I'm seeing so much of this, and it is a

seismic shift.

~Amanda Palmer

I remember being a teenager and being really impressed by "let's sit around and b*tch" people, and I have so little time for those people nowadays.

~Amanda Palmer

If I were a guy, it would be, you know, just a different set of problems I have to carry along.

~Amanda Palmer

How you sound. How you look. Are you fat? Those are things that could be really irritating.

~Amanda Palmer

We are human and our nature is to air...

~Amanda Palmer

If you want the world to pay for projects, you have to be able to display why you're worthy.

~Amanda Palmer

Life as it should be: all friends, all art, all music, all love, all the time.

~Amanda Palmer

I am bigger on the inside But you have to come inside to see me

~Amanda Palmer

Donald Trump is going to make punk rock great again.

~Amanda Palmer

I feel an extraordinary amount of sympathy for anybody working at a major label right now because their lives are over.

~Amanda Palmer

I make the music that I want to make and make the show that I want to make. If you like it, you come. If you don't like it, you don't have to.

~Amanda Palmer

The minute I spend any energy defending myself, explaining myself, or in the worst case scenario, trying to please those who are criticizing me, I will, you know, just fall off a cliff.

~Amanda Palmer

Everyone I know shares toothbrushes. Everyone I know sleeps on each other's floor. Everyone I know uses what they've got and shares what they've got.

~Amanda Palmer

You know, there are so many snarky angry critics out there who are just sort of looking to tear down whoever is getting talked about.

~Amanda Palmer

On many days, harder than the act of making the art itself is the act of sharing it and living in a culture that you know is built to tear you down.

~Amanda Palmer

I do what I want. I try to be nice to everybody. When I fail, I try to apologize.

~Amanda Palmer

Take on the pain and wear it as a shirt.

~Amanda Palmer

It would nice to live in a world where art can just be art!

~Amanda Palmer

I want to be happy. i want to make people happy. i do not need to be rich to do that.

~Amanda Palmer

It's not easy to askâ€¦ asking makes you vulnerable.

~Amanda Palmer

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