

Anchee Min

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If one wants to get a boat ride, one must be near the river.

~Anchee Min

lack of will power leads to more failure than lack of intelligence or ability.

~Anchee Min

We were meant to survive because of our minds' ability to reason, our ability to live with frustration in order to maintain our virtue. We wore smiling masks while dying inside.

~Anchee Min

My parents lived like the neighbours described them a pair of chopsticks, always in harmony.

~Anchee Min

If you can't go back to your mother's womb, you'd better learn to be a good fighter.

~Anchee Min

There have been 50 or 60 books written about Empress Orchid, but none of them bothered to really examine the period in China when she lived. I was taught that she was evil; it's in all the textbooks.

~Anchee Min

I think about giving up. I almost do.

~Anchee Min

I was happy not to be in his place. He could command my death, but not his. But then, what kind of power was his? He was a prisoner of himself.

~Anchee Min

When Chinese get together - what's buried stays buried. We don't even

discuss our embarrassing early days struggling in Chicago.

~Anchee Min

The sun doesn't just hang on one family's tree

~Anchee Min

The self was a very strange concept to me until I came to America, and my child was born with that entitlement, and that just thrilled me.

~Anchee Min

To be able to do art, it was a luxury to me.

~Anchee Min

No matter how American I become, I'm considered part of the Chinese community by my own family.

~Anchee Min

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