

# Ani DiFranco

## Quotes

*Thinking, People, Girl, Eye, Writing, Philosophy, Art, Believe, Men, Mean, Life,  
Fall, Media, Song, Mind, Want, Hands, Years, Country, Hate*

I know there is strength in the differences between us. I know there is comfort where we overlap.

~Ani DiFranco

God forbid you be an ugly girl, 'course too pretty is also your doom, 'cause everyone harbors a secret hatred for the prettiest girl in the room.

~Ani DiFranco

One of my rules is: Never TRY to do anything. Just do it.

~Ani DiFranco

They can call me crazy if I fail, all the chance that I need, is one-in-a-million and they can call me brilliant if I succeed.

~Ani DiFranco

Sometimes the beauty is easy. Sometimes you don't have to try at all. Sometimes you can hear the wind blow in a handshake. Sometimes there's poetry written right on the bathroom wall.

~Ani DiFranco

Every time I say something they find hard to hear, they chalk it up to my anger, and never to their own fear.

~Ani DiFranco

Some people wear their heart up on their sleeve. I wear mine underneath my right pant leg, strapped to my boot.

~Ani DiFranco

We are wise women, we are giggling girls. We both carry a smile to show when we're pleased, we both carry a switchblade in our sleeves.

~Ani DiFranco

We are taught to view pain as an enemy, not a teacher. But pain is the

right hand of growth and transformation. Pain is in the history of all human wisdom.

~Ani DiFranco

Patriarchy is like the elephant in the room that we don't talk about, but how could it not affect the planet radically when it's the superstructure of human society?

~Ani DiFranco

I wonder what you look like under your t-shirt. I wonder what you sound like when you're not wearing words. I wonder what we have when we're not pretending.

~Ani DiFranco

I know men are delicate origami creatures who need women to unfold them, hold them when they cry. But I am tired of being your savior and I am tired of telling you why.

~Ani DiFranco

Just let me go, we have to be able to criticize what we love, to say what we have to say 'cause if you're not trying to make something better, then as far as I can tell, you are just in the way.

~Ani DiFranco

I walk like I'm on a mission 'cause that's the way I groove. I got more and more to do and less and less to prove.

~Ani DiFranco

Goldfish have no memory, I guess their lives are much like mine. And the little plastic castle is a surprise everytime.

~Ani DiFranco

We are wise, wise women. We are giggling girls.

~Ani DiFranco

I don't take good pictures 'cause I have the kind of beauty that moves.

~Ani DiFranco

I used to be a superhero; no one could touch me, not even myself. You are like a phone booth I somehow stumbled into, and now look at me - I am just like everybody else.

~Ani DiFranco

I'd rather be able to face myself in the bathroom mirror than be rich and famous.

~Ani DiFranco

Any tool is a weapon if you hold it right.

~Ani DiFranco

Love is a piano dropped from a fourth story window, and you were in the wrong place at the wrong time.

~Ani DiFranco

My idea of feminism is self-determination, and it's very open-ended: every woman has the right to become herself, and do whatever she needs to do.

~Ani DiFranco

They say that the truth will set you free But then again, so will a lie... It depends if you're trying to get to the promised land Or if you're just trying to get by.

~Ani DiFranco

If you don't ask the right question, every answer seems wrong -

~Ani DiFranco

The world owes us nothing; we owe each other the world.

~Ani DiFranco

Art may imitate life, but life imitates TV.

~Ani DiFranco

Too much is how I love you, but too well is how I know you.

~Ani DiFranco

I know my mind is made of matter but I need to know exactly what is the matter at it's core? Because my heart is just a muscle and simply put, it's sore.

~Ani DiFranco

My country tis of thee, to take swings at each other on talk show TV.

~Ani DiFranco

I have something to prove, as long as I know there's something that needs improvement, and you know that everytime I move, I make a woman's movement.

~Ani DiFranco

The windows of my soul are made of one-way glass, don't bother looking into my eyes if there's something you want to know, just ask

~Ani DiFranco

Strangers are exciting, their mystery never ends. But, there's nothing like looking at your own history in the faces of your friends.

~Ani DiFranco

[The 'corporate takeover of people's lives'] also accounts for a lot of homogenization of culture. There are fast food restaurants everywhere. Every place tastes the same.

~Ani DiFranco

Freedom and democracy, That's the word from Washington every day. Put America to sleep with warm milk and clichés, And people are

expendable along the way.

~Ani DiFranco

When I look down, I miss all the good stuff And when I look up, I just trip over things.

~Ani DiFranco

In order to keep anything cultural, logical, or ideological, you have to reinvent the reality of it.

~Ani DiFranco

If you want to challenge the system, don't go to bed with it.

~Ani DiFranco

Either you are a feminist or you are a sexist/misogynist. There is no box marked 'other'.

~Ani DiFranco

I've been saying the Occupy Movement has got the ball rolling, and now we need to take the fight to the great indoors!

~Ani DiFranco

I am writing graffiti on your body. I am drawing the story of how hard we tried.

~Ani DiFranco

Some people wear their smile like a disguise. Those people who smile a lot, watch their eyes. I know 'cause I'm like that a lot. You think everything's ok, and it is . . . 'till it's not.

~Ani DiFranco

They taught me different was wrong.

~Ani DiFranco

Self-Preservation is a full-time occupation.

~Ani DiFranco

I am still praying for revolution.

~Ani DiFranco

I would like to perfect the art of being studiously aloof

~Ani DiFranco

I was blessed with a birth and a death, and I guess I just want some say in between.

~Ani DiFranco

If more people were screamin', I could relax.

~Ani DiFranco

Smile pretty and watch your back

~Ani DiFranco

I am not a pretty girl. I don't want to be a pretty girl. No, I want to be more than a pretty girl.

~Ani DiFranco

It's great being your own boss, but then, you know, you make your own mistakes, you know, and you own them. You know, so it's empowering, and it's also humbling along the way.

~Ani DiFranco

Birth is the epicenter of women's power

~Ani DiFranco

Men make angry music and it's called rock-and-roll; women include anger in their vocabulary and suddenly they're angry and militant.

~Ani DiFranco

In any marginalized community, whether people identify themselves or not affects us all.

~Ani DiFranco

I don't need anyone to hold me, I can hold my own.

~Ani DiFranco

When you grow up surrounded by willful ignorance, you have to believe that mercy has it's own country and that it's round and borderless.

~Ani DiFranco

Emptiness has its solace in that there's nothing left to take.

~Ani DiFranco

God help you if you are a phoenix and you dare to rise up from the ash  
a thousand eyes will smolder with jealousy while you are just flying  
past

~Ani DiFranco

To split yourself in two is just the most radical thing you can do

~Ani DiFranco

And I was shocked, To see the mistakes of each generation, Will just  
fade like a radio station, If you drive out of range...

~Ani DiFranco

I don't care if they eat me alive, I've got better things to do then survive.

~Ani DiFranco

Taking me seriously is a big mistake. I certainly wouldn't.

~Ani DiFranco

Actually I don't know if honesty is a strength or some kind of weakness.



~Ani DiFranco

Up up up up up up points the spire of the steeple but god's work isn't done by god it's done by people

~Ani DiFranco

Love isn't over when the sheets are stained.

~Ani DiFranco

I'm the color me happy girl, Miss live and let live. And when they're out for blood, I always give.

~Ani DiFranco

There's a paradox in every paradigm.

~Ani DiFranco

I just don't know any other word than "feminist" that describes a person who believes women are people.

~Ani DiFranco

The bathroom mirror has not budged, the woman who lives there can tell the truth from the stuff they say and looks me in the eye- says do you prefer the easy way? No? Well ok then, dont cry.

~Ani DiFranco

People need something or someone to fasten themselves to in order to reassure themselves that they are real.

~Ani DiFranco

We have to really be intentional right now about holding the media accountable, and taking back the discourse and terms of discussion. It's been hijacked.

~Ani DiFranco

There's this brutal imperial power, that my passport says I represent. But it will never represent where my heart lives, only vaguely where it went.

~Ani DiFranco

I love all those great 'f' words - feminism, folk music.

~Ani DiFranco

I'm recording our history now on the bedroom wall, and when we leave the landlord will come and paint over it all.

~Ani DiFranco

Mostly, I stay out of social media conversations. But sometimes, they hunt me down and shoot at me anyway!

~Ani DiFranco

If a politician is running in your local community who's pro-choice, who's feminist in their thinking, get behind them. Send them some money! If you have no money but have time, lick stamps!

~Ani DiFranco

All the wrong people have the power of suggestion and the freedom of the press is meaningless if nobody asks a question.

~Ani DiFranco

I do believe that music has an intense power to connect us together, to inspire us to become ourselves.

~Ani DiFranco

The stronger I am in my personal life, the more energy I have to look outward, to address my society.

~Ani DiFranco

I am getting nowhere with you and I can't let you go and I cant get

through.

~Ani DiFranco

When I need to wipe my face, I use the back of my hand, And I like to take up space just because I can, And I use my dress to wipe up my drink. I care less and less what people think.

~Ani DiFranco

I can't wait to get back to New York City where at least when I walk down the street, no one ever hesitates to tell me exactly what they think of me.

~Ani DiFranco

Life is a sleazy stranger, who looks vaguely familiar; flirting with a bimbo named disaster at the end of the bar.

~Ani DiFranco

There's a crowd of people harbored in each person There are so many roles that we play.

~Ani DiFranco

When all you can think of is your own personal problems, you have nothing to give to your society. If you're trying to figure out where your next meal is coming from, you can't go march on Washington.

~Ani DiFranco

Someday you're going to get hungry and eat most of the words you just said.

~Ani DiFranco

My songs are just little letters to me.

~Ani DiFranco

We're led by denial like lambs to slaughter, serving empires of style and

carbonated sugar water.

~Ani DiFranco

And if there's anything I do it's change and grow. I'm just a living being.  
Every year of my life I seem to learn that everything I know is wrong.

~Ani DiFranco

You've got your whole life to do something, And that's not very long. So  
why don't you give me a call When you're willing to fight For what you  
think is real, For what you think is right.

~Ani DiFranco

I can jump ship and swim-- that the ocean will hold me, that there's got  
to be more than this boat I'm in.

~Ani DiFranco

I will not be afraid to let my talent shine.

~Ani DiFranco

I always feel I have to take a stand, And there's always someone on  
hand To hate me for standing there. I always feel I have to open my  
mouth, And every time I do, I offend someone, somewhere.

~Ani DiFranco

But as bad as I am, I'm proud of the fact that I'm worse than I seem

~Ani DiFranco

I sing sometimes for the war that I fight, 'Cause every tool is a weapon  
if you hold it right.

~Ani DiFranco

And thoughts of no other man but you could possibly get through the  
picket lines to enter into my mind.

~Ani DiFranco

When you sit right down in the middle of yourself you're gonna wanna have a comfortable chair.

~Ani DiFranco

Love was always the goal, and my point every step of the way was that nothing is wrong with love, no matter what flavor it comes in.

~Ani DiFranco

I'm pretty much a workaholic, but when you're doing what you love it's hard to think of a reason to stop.

~Ani DiFranco

Those who call the shots are never in the line of fire.

~Ani DiFranco

Words are hotter than flames. Words are wetter than water.

~Ani DiFranco

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