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I was brought up to reuse things.

~Annabelle Selldorf

So much of what makes a room great is how you enter and circulate through it, how it addresses the body.

~Annabelle Selldorf

When you have rules to abide by, does that curtail you as a designer, or set you free? People think of classical architecture visually, but I think the brilliant part of it is actually spatial.

~Annabelle Selldorf

All clients think that they are architects.

~Annabelle Selldorf

One of the things I've always loved about New York is there is so much precedent for ornament on industrial buildings.

~Annabelle Selldorf

What I do isn't radical. It's just distinct in small ways.

~Annabelle Selldorf

When everything is perfectly orderly and understandable, there has to be one thing that puts everything into question.

~Annabelle Selldorf

I'm inspired by looking at art, by looking at precedent. Looking is what you have to do if you want to make things, so you develop a critical eye.

~Annabelle Selldorf

I make spaces that are calm rather than confrontational. I seek a certain kind of logic that allows you to move in space and perceive it as beautiful and rational. Clarity is a worthwhile quality.

~Annabelle Selldorf

Tension is an interesting quality - and architecture must have it. There should be elements of the inexplicable, the mysterious, and the poetic in something that is perfectly rational.

~Annabelle Selldorf

To me, the nicest luxury would be to have a room where I could keep all my books in one place - and have space for more.

~Annabelle Selldorf

I think when you look at architectural photography it doesn't help to have piles of old clothes lying on the floor. Architectural photography sets up an artifice.

~Annabelle Selldorf

The secret of good architecture is having more than meets the eye.

~Annabelle Selldorf

I never like things that don't look nice. It's really that simple.

~Annabelle Selldorf

I remember, as a young architect, people always talked about I. M. Pei's concrete. He had a particular specification no one else knew.

~Annabelle Selldorf

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