

Anzia Yeziarska

Quotes

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When I only begin to read, I forget I'm on this world. It lifts me on wings with high thoughts.

~Anzia Yeziarska

As one of the dumb, voiceless ones I speak. One of the millions of immigrants beating, beating out their hearts at your gates for a breath of understanding.

~Anzia Yeziarska

Like all people who have nothing, I lived on dreams.

~Anzia Yeziarska

In America, money takes the place of God.

~Anzia Yeziarska

A man is free to go up as high as he can reach up to; but I, with all my style and pep, can't get a man my equal because a girl is always judged by her mother.

~Anzia Yeziarska

Poor people who had escaped from poverty as I had, feared it, hated it and fled from it all their lives. Those born rich could afford to be touched by it.

~Anzia Yeziarska

The power that makes grass grow, fruit ripen, and guides the bird in flight is in us all.

~Anzia Yeziarska

I'm one of the millions of immigrant children, children of loneliness, wandering between worlds that are at once too old and too new to live in.

~Anzia Yeziarska

The only compensation for the artist is the chance to feed hungry hearts.

~Anzia Yeziarska

I too was frightened the first time I felt I hated my father. I felt like a criminal. But could I help it what was inside of me? I had to feel what I felt even if it killed me.

~Anzia Yeziarska

The world is a wheel always turning.

~Anzia Yeziarska

Those who were high go down low, and those who've been low go up higher.

~Anzia Yeziarska

This fire in me, it's not just the hunger of a woman for a man - it's the hunger of all my people back of me, from all ages, for light, for the life higher!

~Anzia Yeziarska

Though my father was poor and had nothing, the Torah, the poetry of prophets, was his daily bread.

~Anzia Yeziarska

If I had never met him I would have dreamed him into being.

~Anzia Yeziarska

I tasted the bread and wine of equality.

~Anzia Yeziarska

Give a beggar a dime and he'll bless you. Give him a dollar and he'll curse you for withholding the rest of your fortune. Poverty is a bag with a hole at the bottom.

~Anzia Yeziarska

Science has salvaged scrap metal and even found vitamins and valuable oils in refuse, but old people are extravagantly wasted.

~Anzia Yeziarska

Poverty was an ornament on a learned man like a red ribbon on a white horse.

~Anzia Yeziarska

The real thing creates its own poetry.

~Anzia Yeziarska

Woe is me! Bitter is me! For what is my life? Why didn't the ship go under and drown me before I came to America?

~Anzia Yeziarska

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