

Auguste Rodin

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The main thing is to be moved, to love, to hope, to tremble, to live. Be a man before being an artist!

~Auguste Rodin

Nothing is a waste of time if you use the experience wisely.

~Auguste Rodin

Art is contemplation. It is the pleasure of the mind which searches into nature and which there divines the spirit of which nature herself is animated.

~Auguste Rodin

The artist must create a spark before he can make a fire and before art is born, the artist must be ready to be consumed by the fire of his own creation.

~Auguste Rodin

The more simple we are, the more complete we become.

~Auguste Rodin

The work of art is already within the block of marble. I just chop off whatever isn't needed.

~Auguste Rodin

Patience is also a form of action.

~Auguste Rodin

Love your calling with passion, it is the meaning of your life.

~Auguste Rodin

The human body is first and foremost a mirror to the soul and its greatest beauty comes from that.

~Auguste Rodin

Art is the pleasure of a spirit that enters nature and discovers that it too has a soul.

~Auguste Rodin

The artist enriches the soul of humanity. The artist delights people with a thousand different shades of feeling.

~Auguste Rodin

It is the artist who is truthful and it is photography which lies, for in reality time does not stop

~Auguste Rodin

I invent nothing, I rediscover.

~Auguste Rodin

An artist worthy of the name should express all the truth of nature, not only the exterior truth, but also, and above all, the inner truth.

~Auguste Rodin

You must always work.

~Auguste Rodin

The only principle in art is to copy what you see. Dealers in aesthetics to the contrary, every other method is fatal.

~Auguste Rodin

People say I think too much about women, yet, after all what is there more important to think about?

~Auguste Rodin

I know very well that one must fight, for one is often in contradiction to the spirit of the age.

~Auguste Rodin

I choose a block of marble and chop off whatever I don't need.

~Auguste Rodin

I am like a moon that shines on an immense, unknown sea where ships never pass

~Auguste Rodin

Sculpture is the art of the hole and the lump.

~Auguste Rodin

To any artist, worthy of the name, all in nature is beautiful, because his eyes, fearlessly accepting all exterior truth, read there, as in an open book, all the inner truth.

~Auguste Rodin

I would have to talk for a year to repeat a single one of my works with words.

~Auguste Rodin

To the artist there is never anything ugly in nature

~Auguste Rodin

True artists are almost the only men who do their work for pleasure.

~Auguste Rodin

What is commonly called ugliness in nature can in art become full of beauty.

~Auguste Rodin

He who is discouraged after a failure is not a real artist.

~Auguste Rodin

Man's naked form belongs to no particular moment in history; it is eternal, and can be looked upon with joy by the people of all ages.

~Auguste Rodin

There should be no argument in regard to morality in art. There is no morality in nature.

~Auguste Rodin

The realities of nature surpass our most ambitious dreams.

~Auguste Rodin

The body always expresses the spirit whose envelope it is. And for him who can see, the nude offers the richest meaning.

~Auguste Rodin

The nude alone is well dressed

~Auguste Rodin

Nobody does good to men with impunity.

~Auguste Rodin

I grant you that the artist does not see Nature as she appears to the vulgar, because his emotion reveals to him the hidden truths beneath appearances.

~Auguste Rodin

I have unbounded admiration for the nude. I worship it like a god.

~Auguste Rodin

In art, immorality cannot exist. Art is always sacred.

~Auguste Rodin

The modes of expression of men of genius differ as much as their souls, and it is impossible to say that in some among them, drawing and color are better or worse than in others.

~Auguste Rodin

My drawings are the result of my sculpture.

~Auguste Rodin

Inside you there's an artist you don't know about. He's not interested in how things look different in moonlight.

~Auguste Rodin

How painful it is to find that my figure can be of no help to my future... how painful to see it rejected on account of a slanderous suspicion!

~Auguste Rodin

Black is the queen of colours.

~Auguste Rodin

If we now seek the spiritual significance of the technique of Michelangelo we shall find that his sculpture expressed restless energy.

~Auguste Rodin

Recently I have taken to isolating limbs, the torso. Why am I blamed for it? Why is the head allowed and not portions of the body? Every part of the human figure is expressive.

~Auguste Rodin

Even with all the documents, you can never forge nature

~Auguste Rodin

There is nothing ugly in art except that which is without character, that is to say, that which offers no outer or inner truth.

~Auguste Rodin

There is no need to create. Genius comes only to those who know how to use their eyes and their intelligence.

~Auguste Rodin

Mere exactitude, of which photography and moulage [life casting] are the lowest forms, does not inspire feelings.

~Auguste Rodin

Mystery is like a kind of atmosphere which bathes the greatest works of the masters.

~Auguste Rodin

I believe that photography can create great works of art, but hitherto it has been extraordinarily bourgeois and babbling. (1908)

~Auguste Rodin

The artist has only to trust his eyes.

~Auguste Rodin

The delicate droop of the petals standing out in relief, is like the eyelid of a child.

~Auguste Rodin

One must work, nothing but work, and one must have patience.

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