

Catherine Opie

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The biggest cliché in Photography is Sunrise and Sunset.

~Catherine Opie

I like that time is marked by each sunrise and sunset whether or not you actually see it.

~Catherine Opie

I'm very empathic to the construction of masculinity within our culture and how we build these identities up.

~Catherine Opie

The reason I call myself a documentary photographer is the idea of how photographs contain and participate in history.

~Catherine Opie

Language is a very complicated thing, and that's one of the reasons why I like making photographs.

~Catherine Opie

...things become mainstream when they become imaged over and over again. Something happens in relationship to ideas of representation that makes it more palatable or digestible.

~Catherine Opie

Nature is a dream state at this point, that we almost don't have a real relationship to it unless it's people living off the land and killing our own food and going for it.

~Catherine Opie

I'm kind of a twisted social documentary photographer.

~Catherine Opie

My dad was a very conservative Republican businessman, so obviously I considered it a problem when I realized I was a lesbian.

~Catherine Opie

Light is everything in photographs and has to be considered in all situations.

~Catherine Opie

I tried to get as far away from home as possible after I graduated from high school because I had a hard time being a kid.

~Catherine Opie

I always give a print to everybody I photograph, and some of my subjects have told me they have a hard time hanging them up at home.

~Catherine Opie

I really love to drive. It's really hard for me to be a passenger, even though I get to look around a little bit more, but I've gotten really good at driving and looking.

~Catherine Opie

There's a lesbian aesthetic, just as there's gay camp, but I don't know if there's such a thing as 'lesbian art.'

~Catherine Opie

I do photograph things for people to look at 100 years from now. But we're such a mediated society that things become historical the next day.

~Catherine Opie

I'm a complete supporter of Obama and kind of in love with him.

~Catherine Opie

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