

# Celeste Ng

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*People, Thinking, Feels, Writing, Space, Balance, Jobs, Cheerful, Always  
Trying, Make You Happy, Saws, Underdog, Race, Quality, Habit, Able, Trying,  
Catching On, Losing, Fire*

You don't feel like smiling? Then what? Force yourself to smile. Act as if you were already happy, and that will tend to make you happy.

~Celeste Ng

What made something precious? Losing it and finding it.

~Celeste Ng

When you mention to people growing up in Cleveland they bring up the river catching on fire, or LeBron James leaving, they have these references, but no one imagines ending up there.

~Celeste Ng

I would never tell myself, you have to write 20 pages today or something. But I do try to show up. Read what I wrote, fix things.

~Celeste Ng

If you told people you were moving to Ohio, they wouldn't congratulate you. They'd say "OH WHY would you move there?" as if that was something that happened to you and you had to deal with.

~Celeste Ng

They never discussed it, but both came to understand it as a promise: he would always make sure there was a place for her. She would always be able to say, Someone is coming. I am not alone.

~Celeste Ng

I think this is something that is naturally built in in people, a need for attention and a need to be special and we are always trying to find a balance.

~Celeste Ng

After a while, the fear became a habit, too.

~Celeste Ng

I am in a mixed race marriage myself, and I have a mixed race son....The racial perception interest is probably always going to be there to some extent.

~Celeste Ng

Being asked, "Where are you REALLY from?" It makes one feel OTHERED.

~Celeste Ng

There is something about Midwest in general, that has kind of an underdog quality.

~Celeste Ng

I'd like to think of my self as not melancholic at all, I think I'm a pretty cheerful person, really.

~Celeste Ng

If a news camera shows up, people will line up, they want to be seen. But at the same time they want both to be chosen and not singled out. I think that is an endless struggle within most.

~Celeste Ng

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