

Charles Webster Hawthorne Quotes

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Painting, Waiting, Humble, World, Poet, Landscape, Joy, Attitude, Success,
Teaching, Long*

Realize the value of putting down your first impression quickly.

~Charles Webster Hawthorne

The ring, the call, the surprise, the shock that you have out-of-doors - be always looking for the unexpected in nature, do not settle to a formula.

~Charles Webster Hawthorne

Paint with freedom. It gives you more mastery of the nature of paint.

~Charles Webster Hawthorne

Put variety in white.

~Charles Webster Hawthorne

Each day has its own individuality of color.

~Charles Webster Hawthorne

Anything under the sun is beautiful if you have the vision it is the seeing of the thing that makes it so.

~Charles Webster Hawthorne

Do not let it look as if you reasoned too much. Painting must be impulsive to be worth while.

~Charles Webster Hawthorne

A sketch has charm because of its truth - not because it is unfinished.

~Charles Webster Hawthorne

By having the big lines of the composition going out of the canvas, your imagination can wander beyond the edge. It will make it seem part of a large composition.

~Charles Webster Hawthorne

Study continuously, developing yourself into a better person, more

sensitive to things in nature. Spend years in getting ready.

~Charles Webster Hawthorne

Do studies, not pictures. Know when you are licked - start another. Be alive, stop when your interest is lost.

~Charles Webster Hawthorne

If you look into the past of the successful painter you will find square miles of canvas behind him.

~Charles Webster Hawthorne

See what you can do with your daring with color and your ignorance mixed with it.

~Charles Webster Hawthorne

Man-made things, buildings, boats, etc., we see more decidedly than the other things in a landscape.

~Charles Webster Hawthorne

To see things simply is the hardest thing in the world.

~Charles Webster Hawthorne

Put off finish as it takes a lifetime - wait until later to try to finish things - make a lot of starts.

~Charles Webster Hawthorne

Have as much fun as you can and don't feel that the edge of your canvas confines you - let your vision go right on.

~Charles Webster Hawthorne

Spend a lifetime in hard work with a humble mind.

~Charles Webster Hawthorne

The world is waiting for men with vision - it is not interested in mere

pictures.

~Charles Webster Hawthorne

In his attempt to develop the beauty he sees, the artist develops himself.

~Charles Webster Hawthorne

Swing a bigger brush - you don't know what you're missing.

~Charles Webster Hawthorne

There is an aesthetic excitement about painting which is one of the most beautiful experiences that can be. Put things down while you feel that joy.

~Charles Webster Hawthorne

The mechanics of putting one spot of color next to another, that is the fundamental thing.

~Charles Webster Hawthorne

If you are not going to get a thrill, how can you give someone else one? You must feel the beauty of the thing before you start.

~Charles Webster Hawthorne

We must all teach ourselves to be fine, to be poets.

~Charles Webster Hawthorne

Try to do ugly things so that you make them beautiful... The more delicate the thing is in nature the more one must look for the solemn note. Color in nature is never pretty, it's beautiful.

~Charles Webster Hawthorne

Painting is just like making an after-dinner speech. If you want to be remembered, say one thing and stop.

~Charles Webster Hawthorne

The value of a canvas depends almost entirely on your mental attitude, not on your moral attitude; depends on what kind of a man you are, the way you observe.

~Charles Webster Hawthorne

Get into the habit of doing what you see, not what you know. Human reason cannot foresee the accidents of out-of-doors.

~Charles Webster Hawthorne

It is so much better to make a big thing out of a little subject than to make a little thing out of a big one.

~Charles Webster Hawthorne

Avoid distant views, paint objects close up. If the foreground is well done the distance will take care of itself.

~Charles Webster Hawthorne

Be humble about it. Paint the color tones as they come against each other, and make them sing, vibrate. Don't ask me to look at those self-satisfied, pretty things.

~Charles Webster Hawthorne

Chase used to say, 'When you're looking at your canvas and worrying about it, try to think of your canvas as the reality and the model as the painted thing.'

~Charles Webster Hawthorne

The successful painter is continually painting still life.

~Charles Webster Hawthorne

Paint what you see, not what you know.

~Charles Webster Hawthorne

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