

Dan Mangan Quotes

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If you make everything really on the nose so everyone knows exactly what you're talking about, it's often not as strong.

~Dan Mangan

Sold my soul to the devil / for nice penmanship. / Now I write real pretty / but I'm starting to regret it.

~Dan Mangan

You can't just look at the side of something that you want to see. You have to look at the whole round object and understand that there are parts of it that you don't like.

~Dan Mangan

I don't believe in the myth of the "self made man". Nobody gets through alone.

~Dan Mangan

I think the future and the past are equally hypothetical.

~Dan Mangan

I used to be so young, how did I get so old?

~Dan Mangan

In the war between the humans and the robots, the humans had to win. Call me hopeful.

~Dan Mangan

I am trying to keep my voice in order. Basically not talking much in the van throughout the day to preserve it, which I'm sure is welcomed by the band.

~Dan Mangan

I think it's important to accept all the ways that we're absurdly lucky. I'm a white male from a safe city in a wealthy country.

~Dan Mangan

We talk about the past like it's the strangest dream. Then we repeat the things we never dreamed we'd do.

~Dan Mangan

I'm influenced in a million different ways by a million songs that I've heard and digested.

~Dan Mangan

Sometimes I just don't have time to wait for the muse to come, so I've developed things to force the muse to come back.

~Dan Mangan

Acknowledging the lucky breaks are paramount to enjoying life. Not being defensive about our successes/failures. So, in short.

~Dan Mangan

There's going to be ups and downs and that you have to be okay with the downs too and embrace them just as much because they will teach you something.

~Dan Mangan

I think that's why art prevails: because it helps people in a fairly intangible, magical way feel more connected to each other.

~Dan Mangan

When you ask my three year old if my iPhone is too complicated, it's not. It's all relative.

~Dan Mangan

The idea that things used to be better is fantasy. It's putting a halo on something that no one can disprove.

~Dan Mangan

The idea that things intrinsically were just better is so stupid to me because they never were. It's all relative.

~Dan Mangan

I think the only thing that we even have a small tangent of reality or truth about is right now - the moment that is happening right this second. Everything else is up for grabs.

~Dan Mangan

If the point of good art is to be somewhat subtle then it's not going to catch everyone.

~Dan Mangan

I don't necessarily think I look to books for ideas, but sometimes when I'm in the process of reading a great book, I just think about it all of the time.

~Dan Mangan

I think books are just a great ticket to get you outside of yourself. You can not be you for a second and live in the shoes of a character, which is a special thing.

~Dan Mangan

More than anything, being an English major made me more appreciative of authors and what an incredible feat it is to just finish a novel, let alone a really brilliant one.

~Dan Mangan

I was an English major in university and that got me into novels, but I read a lot of books as a kid.

~Dan Mangan

I think articulating things through song is a good way of letting people know that they're not alone.

~Dan Mangan

You feel the weight of the world and you take things in and you are acting out from a place of being pushed and visceral. It's heavy. You can't be there all of the time.

~Dan Mangan

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