

Dennis Hopper

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The man is clear in his mind, but his soul is mad.

~Dennis Hopper

It takes more than going down to the video store and renting "Easy Rider" to be a rebel.

~Dennis Hopper

I was very shy, and it was a lot easier for me to communicate if I had a camera between me and other people.

~Dennis Hopper

Like all artists, I want to cheat death a little and contribute something to the next generation.

~Dennis Hopper

People keep asking me, 'What evil lurks in you to play such bad characters?' There is no evil in me, I just wear tight underwear.

~Dennis Hopper

Just because it happened to you, doesn't mean it's interesting.

~Dennis Hopper

Art is a bad word in Hollywood. You use art too many times and they show you the elevator and then your name is taken off the parking lot.

~Dennis Hopper

My whole written history is one big lie! I mean, I can't even believe my history.

~Dennis Hopper

In a world where the dead have returned to life, the word "trouble" loses much of its meaning.

~Dennis Hopper

Work is fun to me. All those years of being an actor and a director and not being able to get a job - two weeks is too long to not know what my next job will be.

~Dennis Hopper

I think of [my photographs] as found paintings because I don't crop them, I don't manipulate them or anything. So they're like found objects to me.

~Dennis Hopper

Independent films in this country are in the same position. Miramax and Fine Line are not independent - they're with Disney! Come on. Or they're with Warner Brothers. They're all with somebody.

~Dennis Hopper

When we're out of the eighties, the nineties are gonna make the sixties look like the fifties!

~Dennis Hopper

You're like a turd that won't flush.

~Dennis Hopper

For most of my life, I wasn't on the Left.

~Dennis Hopper

You know, the history of California art doesn't start until about 1961, and that's when these photographs start. I mean, we have no history out here.

~Dennis Hopper

The reality of things going on around me is more interesting than the fantasies of the world I work in.

~Dennis Hopper

'Easy Rider' was never a motorcycle movie to me. A lot of it was about politically what was going on in the country.

~Dennis Hopper

I should have been dead ten times over. I've thought about that a lot. I believe in miracles. It's an absolute miracle that I'm still around.

~Dennis Hopper

I used to have to wear a gas mask to school when I was a kid because of the dust. I would tell people that the first light I saw was in a movie theater, because the sun was just a little glow.

~Dennis Hopper

I've always been doing some sort of art. I started off, when I was very young, painting.

~Dennis Hopper

The best and only authentic book written on the sixties underground.

~Dennis Hopper

There are moments that I've had some real brilliance, you know. But I think they are moments. And sometimes, in a career, moments are enough.

~Dennis Hopper

To make a documentary is one thing, to make a feature film is quite another.

~Dennis Hopper

I've been a Republican since Reagan. I voted for Bush and his father. I don't tell a lot of people, because I live in a city where somebody who voted for Bush is really an outcast.

~Dennis Hopper

Well, it's not just money. I consider myself establishment right now. I'm borderline establishment, I'm hanging on by my toenails - but I'm establishment.

~Dennis Hopper

I'm still around artists. I don't have anymore wall space. And I don't have the money to collect anymore, the prices are outrageous.

~Dennis Hopper

I was a Shakespearean actor, I had preconceived ideas, line readings - everything was a gesture, everything was conscious.

~Dennis Hopper

As an actor, you have no control really.

~Dennis Hopper

Dialectic logic is there's only love and hate, you either love somebody or you hate them.

~Dennis Hopper

Photography and painting, all of that fed into my directing eventually.

~Dennis Hopper

I was reading a lot of Thomas Jefferson at the time, and Jefferson said that every 20 years, if one party has stayed in power, it's your obligation as an American to vote the other party in.

~Dennis Hopper

I never really made any money and it certainly cost me more to take photographs than I got for them.

~Dennis Hopper

I was an abstract expressionist before I had seen any abstract expressionist paintings. I started when I was a kid and continued just

doing abstract stuff all through high school.

~Dennis Hopper

In Method acting, you can't have preconceived ideas. You have to live in the moment. You have to keep yourself open.

~Dennis Hopper

I wanted to be an actor. I decided when I was very young, when I first saw movies, that I wanted to be an actor.

~Dennis Hopper

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