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I cannot wait for all the mistakes we have yet to make

~Devendra Banhart

Trying to find comfort in perpetual discomfort has been my life's work.

~Devendra Banhart

Some people like to say serendipitous. I like to say magical.

~Devendra Banhart

I'm one of those people that if you're told that if you put your hand in the fire, you'll burn your hand, I won't listen.

~Devendra Banhart

And because my teeth don't bite, I can take them out dancing I can take my little teeth out and show them a real good time

~Devendra Banhart

There is something to mystery. You make up this entire world that you fit into because of what the actual music does to you.

~Devendra Banhart

I think five percent of all songs can be love songs, and another five percent can be miscellaneous or political, but the rest should just be about medieval feminists.

~Devendra Banhart

Good art doesn't really have an expiration date on it. That's something to be happy about, if you're making art.

~Devendra Banhart

I heard somebody say that the war ended today, but everybody knows it's going still.

~Devendra Banhart

Cripple crow say something for our grieving, where do we go once we start leaving. Well close that wound or else keep on bleeding and change your tune, it's got no meaning.

~Devendra Banhart

People want to be successful, and they want to be acknowledged for what they do. Sometimes they make really great art and aren't. Historically, the best artists weren't. But their work survived.

~Devendra Banhart

I see so many little boys I wanna marry, I see plenty little kids I've yet to have.

~Devendra Banhart

It only takes one profound experience to change somebody's life.

~Devendra Banhart

I've always wanted to write a song that goes, "I love you" and a book that goes, "Something happened." Something very direct.

~Devendra Banhart

I get to swim in the ocean every single day, which is a very, very important thing to do to stay connected.

~Devendra Banhart

When I go to vote for anything, I always pencil in the proposition to return California and Texas to Mexico. I'm the one person that's voting for that one.

~Devendra Banhart

We live in an age where many things are working hard to conk us out and anesthetize us. Anything we can do to shake us out of that- with no other purpose than to wake us- is valuable.

~Devendra Banhart

Having friends who are records nerds - that's the best thing you can do, have a record-geek friend to take you far.

~Devendra Banhart

There are plenty of things in vaults that didn't sell in its time. So much stuff. But slowly these companies start to get a hint that these things have some value.

~Devendra Banhart

I didn't want to make a record that was just guitar and voice, that was just the technology available to me. At the time, I remember thinking, "I am making a Faust album." That didn't translate.

~Devendra Banhart

I do think that music videos have a huge impact on the way you listen to music.

~Devendra Banhart

I always wanted to move to New York because of the Velvet Underground, because of the picture that they painted of New York City.

~Devendra Banhart

I find Mexico exciting to visit, but I think [it] is looked down upon. Mexico is not a very respected place, unless you're Mexican, and even then it's something of a love/hate relationship.

~Devendra Banhart

When real work happens and that's when real art happens.

~Devendra Banhart

Of course, before the internet people found records, too. You can still do it. It's just that people like to make the least amount of effort as possible.

~Devendra Banhart

You have to collaborate with the moment and the environment. It kind of was magnified by the house being a studio.

~Devendra Banhart

"I meditate." That's like saying "I eat." Think of all the food there is! And there are almost as many varieties of mediation.

~Devendra Banhart

Within America, there are extremely different place. I'm not saying it's one homogenous color. It's obviously an incredible place. There's no other place like it, and it's incredibly diverse.

~Devendra Banhart

Africa. There are a gazillion different languages people speak there, different bone structures, so vast and different.

~Devendra Banhart

The best New York in the world is driving down the [Pacific Coast Highway] listening to the Velvet Underground. That's the best time I've ever been to New York.

~Devendra Banhart

I like California a lot. There's a lot of space, but it's actually the most populated place in the nation.

~Devendra Banhart

Now if I lived in my land, which I do, if I lived in Iceland, if I lived in Greensland I'd still have Chinese children, but out of my ears my little grey baby hears.

~Devendra Banhart

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