

Diego Rivera Quotes

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To be an artist, one must . . . never shirk from the truth as he understands it, never withdraw from life

~Diego Rivera

As an artist I have always tried to be faithful to my vision of life, and I have frequently been in conflict with those who wanted me to paint not what I saw but what they wished me to see.

~Diego Rivera

The rôle of the artist is that of a soldier of the revolution.

~Diego Rivera

I've never believed in God, but I believe in Picasso.

~Diego Rivera

Looking back upon my work today, I think the best I have done grew out of things deeply felt, the worst from a pride in mere talent.

~Diego Rivera

Art is like ham-it nourishes people.

~Diego Rivera

July 13, 1954 was the most tragic day of my life. I had lost my beloved Frida forever. To late now I realized that the most wonderful part of my life had been my love for Frida.

~Diego Rivera

Only the work of art itself can raise the standard of taste.

~Diego Rivera

If I ever loved a woman, the more I loved her, the more I wanted to hurt her. Frida was only the most obvious victim of this disgusting trait.

~Diego Rivera

Through her paintings, she breaks all the taboos of the woman's body and of female sexuality.

~Diego Rivera

The artist must try to raise the level of taste of the masses, not debase himself to the level of unformed and impoverished taste.

~Diego Rivera

Never before had a woman put such agonizing poetry on canvas as Frida did

~Diego Rivera

My cubist paintings are my most Mexican.

~Diego Rivera

I did not know it then, but Frida had already become the most important fact in my life. And would continue to be, up to the moment she died, 27 years later.

~Diego Rivera

Every good composition is above all a work of abstraction. All good painters know this. But the painter cannot dispense with subjects altogether without his work suffering impoverishment.

~Diego Rivera

I do not believe in God, yet I believe in Picasso.

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