

Edward St Aubyn

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No pain is too small if it hurts, but any pain is too big if it's cherished.

~Edward St Aubyn

Surely: the adverb of a man without an argument.

~Edward St Aubyn

It seems people spend the majority of their lives believing they're dying, with the only consolation being that at one point they get to be right.

~Edward St Aubyn

People never remember happiness with the care that they lavish on preserving every detail of their suffering.

~Edward St Aubyn

The first book I fell in love with was 'Little Toot,' the story of an adorable tugboat operating out of New York Harbor.

~Edward St Aubyn

I'm really not responsible for what mental operation people have when they're reading my books other than the ones which are created by literary effects.

~Edward St Aubyn

The thing about the 'Melrose' novels is that I have to feel they're impossible when I set out.

~Edward St Aubyn

The Booker 2011 is of no more interest to me than the world heavyweight championship, which I'm not going to win either. It's irrelevant.

~Edward St Aubyn

I think that some laughter comes from escaped horror, doesn't it?

~Edward St Aubyn

I'm not trying to uncover the facts of my life but to discover the dramatic truth of the situations I was in.

~Edward St Aubyn

Well, the attractive thing about the subject of happiness is that it is notoriously difficult to write.

~Edward St Aubyn

Detachment is what interests me, seeing how people couldn't have been any other way, how they were the product of forces that they had no control over.

~Edward St Aubyn

Everything was usual. That was depression: being stuck, clinging to an out-of-date version of oneself.

~Edward St Aubyn

The whole Melrose series is an attempt to tell the truth, and is based on the idea that there is some salutary or liberating power in telling the truth.

~Edward St Aubyn

You can only give things up once they start to let you down.

~Edward St Aubyn

It's no use imagining that bringing great writers together inevitably precipitates great conversation.

~Edward St Aubyn

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