

EI-P Quotes

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My whole mode is to do what I want to do and let people understand me through that.

~EI-P

I'm trying to consciously evolve myself. I have no delusions of grandeur.

~EI-P

Why should I be sober when God is so clearly dusted out his mind?

~EI-P

There's a responsibility as a musician to do the music that you want to hear.

~EI-P

Just when you think you should start accepting that you're becoming an adult, all your childhood fantasies come true.

~EI-P

Oh my god what am I doing with my life?

~EI-P

The fact of the matter is, if you're not putting out stuff that people are feeling, then your record label doesn't mean a goddamn thing.

~EI-P

We're fighting internal struggles, I am the cancer for my own cure.

~EI-P

I'm not really one of these people who's been known for particularly hopeful sentiments.

~EI-P

Most people aren't happy about being consistent and staying at the

same place for years. People want forward progress and motion.

~EI-P

I'm a fan of some of the hyphy stuff. Hyphy has been going on a lot longer than the press has been recognizing it.

~EI-P

Change is a direct element of hip-hop. That's the whole thing with style.

~EI-P

Everyone just wants to feel good, and I don't think that all music is designed to make you feel good.

~EI-P

There's something in the German language that makes you feel like you're getting a hug and a backstab at the same time.

~EI-P

I think you get to a certain point in your life and where you grew up stops reminding you of when you grew up. Everything changes, everything metamorphosizes.

~EI-P

A good rapper is a good rapper, a good album is a good album. I don't think anyone is inherently good.

~EI-P

I would feel pretty embarrassed if I was doing what I do and I wasn't at least attempting the eloquent translation of the human experience in some way.

~EI-P

I can't sit in the same place. I gotta keep going.

~El-P

My favorite era of hip-hop was between '85-'89. That was the era that got me to love hip-hop.

~El-P

I'm not trying to change the face of hip-hop music. I'm trying to make my records and always take the next step for me.

~El-P

I don't think hip-hop is a dying art form. I think it's impossible for hip-hop to be a dying art form.

~El-P

That dark humor has always been a part of what I've done. It's always been somewhat tongue-in-cheek.

~El-P

There is a difference these days between who's making the music and buying the music, in terms of the way that they think, grew up, and their perspective. It's become much more diverse.

~El-P

The emergence of the independent hip-hop scene has replaced what we called the "underground scene". It's what the underground scene has evolved into: actual businesses.

~El-P

I've never had a huge collection of records; I've never been a beat digga.

~El-P

I'm a pretty intense person. And I don't know if intense is fun. I put myself through the wringer. That's just how I work.

~El-P

There's nothing worse than being shackled by some miniscule sort of technology you have onstage, and I think your mettle is going to get tested in those moments.

~El-P

Hip-hop is always moving. It's always looking for the next style; it's always trying to one-up the last person.

~El-P

I've always believed that if you cannot do it, then you should not do it. Only when it comes to the point where you've literally dug yourself into a hole, where it's sink or swim, is that viable to me.

~El-P

As you get bigger, your staff gets bigger, and your costs get bigger.

~El-P

I've been approached by major labels every single year of my existence as an artist. Since 1996.

~El-P

I always wanted to do a deal with Russell Simmons, and now I've got my signature on a piece of paper with his.

~El-P

I don't have any delusions of grandeur. I just want to make music that doesn't make me bored.

~El-P

So inane-I cause Colon Blow pain

~El-P

I wanted people to know that I was making what I was making just on a sampler, basically.

~El-P

We're not steadfast about not repeating mistakes.

~El-P

I like being a rapper and cursing and getting paid. But at some point I feel like I'm going to be an old angry ass man, who is going to run the school board or city council.

~El-P

I couldn't really be a part of high school, because I have a terrible time doing things that I don't want to do. I'm not good at it. It's not even like, I'm a rebel. I'm just bad at it, you know?

~El-P

Maybe my great struggle, and it's probably not anything different from too many other people, but it certainly is what drives the music, is a hugely internal one.

~El-P

No doubt, there are times when I'm like "We have all gotten really used to saying whatever the f - k we want to say," and it's something that I really take seriously, whatever that may be.

~El-P

If you ask me what people want from me, they would probably just want me to be true to what I'm doing.

~El-P

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