

Eli Broad Quotes

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Civilizations are not remembered by their business people, their bankers or lawyers. They're remembered by the arts.

~Eli Broad

Contemporary art challenges us.. it broadens our horizons. It asks us to think beyond the limits of conventional wisdom.

~Eli Broad

If someone can't give me a good reason why you can't do something, I find a way to do it.

~Eli Broad

Who you spend your life with-much more so than how you choose to spend it-is the most important decision you can make. Do it right. That's the best advice I can give you.

~Eli Broad

The best move you can make in negotiation is to think of an incentive the other person hasn't even thought of - and then meet it.

~Eli Broad

For businesses to be successful, they need to constantly ask the question: how can we provide value to our customers? At the end of the day, that is what matters.

~Eli Broad

Research - and using what you learn from it to analyze every situation - is what separates being unreasonable from being irrational.

~Eli Broad

Art evokes emotion. It doesn't have to be a thing of beauty.

~Eli Broad

I have always believed that every great city in history needs a vibrant

center.

~Eli Broad

If you have poor management that's not doing the right job, you end up with unions filling the void and... page after page of work rules and thicker and thicker contracts.

~Eli Broad

The inability to delegate is one of the biggest problems I see with managers at all levels.

~Eli Broad

Ideas, more than money, are really the currency for success.

~Eli Broad

Artists rarely do the same thing over and over again. Art is about the new, doing things in a new way.

~Eli Broad

I've never been one who enjoys maintaining the status quo. I'm always pushing for new ideas, whether it's in business or philanthropy.

~Eli Broad

No one ever made a million bucks by being cautious or timid or reasonable.

~Eli Broad

Museums do not share their collections with other museums unless they get something in exchange. The Metropolitan will deal with the Louvre, but will they send their stuff to Memphis? No.

~Eli Broad

I learned to embrace risk, as long as it was well thought out and, in a worst-case scenario, I'd still land on my feet.

~Eli Broad

Without a doubt, stem cell research will lead to the dramatic improvement in the human condition and will benefit millions of people.

~Eli Broad

I'm strong-willed. Architects are strong-willed. You get the best results with a strong client and a strong architect working together.

~Eli Broad

I am not a patient person. My friends and colleagues will confirm this. But, frankly, we should all feel a little more impatient with the state of public education in America today.

~Eli Broad

Someone once told me I'm a sore winner, and they're right. I rarely take more than a moment to enjoy a success before I'm moving on and looking for the next challenge.

~Eli Broad

Time is the most valuable thing you have - and I'm not just talking about the minutes for which you're paid.

~Eli Broad

A lot of executives act like their time is worth more than anyone else's. But I always respect an employee who guards his or her time, even from me.

~Eli Broad

Unfortunately, the boards of art institutions tend to be populated with well-meaning supporters of the arts who often lack any business background or appetite for imposing appropriate discipline.

~Eli Broad

Every artist is unreasonable, because he or she is doing something that hasn't been done before.

~Eli Broad

Collectors become obsessive and then addicted. You become addicted to art and you can't live without it.

~Eli Broad

People always say congratulations. When you're a successful bidder it means you're willing to spend more money than anyone else. I'm not sure if that's congratulations or condolences.

~Eli Broad

I don't see myself as a great discoverer of artists, like Charles Saatchi.

~Eli Broad

I don't want to be in the film business. I'm not even sure it's a business.

~Eli Broad

I never play golf because it takes too long, and the business connections it produces can be made just as easily over an early breakfast.

~Eli Broad

I don't think it makes any sense for an individual to invest in common stocks unless they know the company, work at the company, and so on.

~Eli Broad

I never stay anywhere " parties , museums, meetings " longer than 3 hours.

~Eli Broad

The first thing I started collecting was stamps. Until I started discovering

girls. That was the end of stamps.

~Eli Broad

There were periods when the art market got overheated, but there is no reason it should appreciate dramatically.

~Eli Broad

In high school, I would drive my teachers batty. They would make a statement, and I would say, 'Why is that?' They didn't want to be questioned.

~Eli Broad

The first dream I had was just to get a college education. I got through college in three years, taking extra classes in summer school.

~Eli Broad

I think over any period of time, especially if you don't use leverage, it is difficult to continually beat the S&P 500.

~Eli Broad

How absurd that our students tuck their cell phones, BlackBerrys, iPads, and iPods into their backpacks when they enter a classroom and pull out a tattered textbook.

~Eli Broad

You always learn lessons in business.

~Eli Broad

I'd be bored to death if I spent all my time with other businesspeople, bankers and lawyers.

~Eli Broad

Philanthropy is activism.

~Eli Broad

People don't know I've got a deep social conscience. I'm a child of the Depression, born in 1933. My parents were very liberal in their social views.

~Eli Broad

Collecting is more than just buying objects.

~Eli Broad

I can imagine no more important contribution to our country's future than a long-term commitment to improving urban K-12 public schools.

~Eli Broad

I'd rather be respected than loved.

~Eli Broad

School district policies and practices have not kept pace with student and teacher needs.

~Eli Broad

One, Andrew Carnegie said, 'He who dies with wealth dies in shame.' And someone once said, 'He who gives while he lives also knows where it goes.'

~Eli Broad

Anything I do, I spend a lot of time. I do it with passion and intensity. I want to be in charge.

~Eli Broad

A real collector does not sell.

~Eli Broad

Any city in America would like to get a museum built if they didn't have to pay for it.

~Eli Broad

You can have great teachers, but if you don't have a good principal, you won't have a good school.

~Eli Broad

If people want to criticize me because it sells papers, that's fine. I just don't like it when it's inaccurate.

~Eli Broad

Most museums - with all their burdens to pay for exhibitions, administration, and security - really don't have any money really to acquire art, with few exceptions.

~Eli Broad

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