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One thing I always found hard to stomach over the past few years is that being a DJ or musician is a career opportunity.

~Erol Alkan

Obviously like many of us, I love music, and I hate music sometimes. ~Erol Alkan

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~Erol Alkan

I wish I could do something else, I wish I was an amazing painter or a brain surgeon or something, but it's just what it's been.

~Erol Alkan

Instinct is the most powerful thing you have, and you have to trust it. ~Erol Alkan

Guidance is everything, you have to accept that somebody is their own person, an individual.

~Erol Alkan

When someone walks into my room and goes 'wow' at my record collection, at that moment I could actually hate music and just want to go sit in the garden.

~Erol Alkan

Running a label in 2013, you don't do it for any financial purpose, you do it for all the amazing creative aspects of what you can achieve.

~Erol Alkan

Everyone is going to prang out at some point. I don't worry about that stuff too much because most things can be sorted out with a chat, a

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cup of tea and an arm wrestle.

~Erol Alkan

There was certainly a space I felt for me, don't complain about it not being there, make it.

~Erol Alkan

Sometimes something has a value, it has an instant quality to it, and that's all it needs to be.

~Erol Alkan

I don't know what genre I've fallen into, I don't know where it is, and that's really exciting.

~Erol Alkan

There's zero correlation between owning music and being a greater music lover or musician than the next person.

~Erol Alkan

All the best bands have a language, and what they say within that language makes it is what it is.

~Erol Alkan

I think I just want to make and be part of great records, because of what it brings to other people, what it gives back, is so incredible.

~Erol Alkan

I'm sure that there are many situations in life that are going to offer the same risks and pitfalls that you have to get past. That's just life.

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~Erol Alkan

You can't live life being afraid, because fear censors ambition.

~Erol Alkan

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I love the idea that the person that signs you makes the record, because you get that sense of guidance, of being there at that close point.

~Erol Alkan

You have to follow your instinct, and that's what I've tried to do all my life, whether in music or anything.

~Erol Alkan

Break eggs to make omlettes, never be complacent or think 'I've got a career here, I've got to keep it going'.

~Erol Alkan

I like the notion of guiding, because I can offer advice through my own experiences, tastes and beliefs. But it's all in that individual's hands.

~Erol Alkan

I don't know if this is a good thing to say, but the musical obsession has almost shifted to a creative obsession now.

~Erol Alkan

If you can't frighten yourself, I don't think you can excite other people. And I like being frightened.

~Erol Alkan

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