

Frank Lloyd Wright Quotes

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The good building is not one that hurts the landscape, but one which makes the landscape more beautiful than it was before the building was built.

~Frank Lloyd Wright

Study nature, love nature, stay close to nature. It will never fail you.

~Frank Lloyd Wright

We create our buildings and then they create us. Likewise, we construct our circle of friends and our communities and then they construct us.

~Frank Lloyd Wright

Form follows function - that has been misunderstood. Form and function should be one, joined in a spiritual union.

~Frank Lloyd Wright

I know the price of success: dedication, hard work, and an unremitting devotion to the things you want to see happen.

~Frank Lloyd Wright

You have to go wholeheartedly into anything in order to achieve anything worth having.

~Frank Lloyd Wright

A building should appear to grow easily from its site and be shaped to harmonize with its surroundings if Nature is manifest there.

~Frank Lloyd Wright

You can use an eraser on the drafting table or a sledge hammer on the construction site.

~Frank Lloyd Wright

We should learn from the snail: it has devised a home that is both

exquisite and functional.

~Frank Lloyd Wright

No house should ever be on a hill or on anything. It should be of the hill. Belonging to it. Hill and house should live together each the happier for the other.

~Frank Lloyd Wright

Architecture is life, or at least it is life itself taking form and therefore it is the truest record of life as it was lived in the world yesterday, as it is lived today or ever will be lived.

~Frank Lloyd Wright

Simplicity and Repose are qualities that measure the true value of any work of art.

~Frank Lloyd Wright

I believe in God, only I spell it Nature.

~Frank Lloyd Wright

The mother art is architecture. Without an architecture of our own we have no soul of our own civilization.

~Frank Lloyd Wright

Art is a discovery and development of elementary principles of nature into beautiful forms suitable for human use.

~Frank Lloyd Wright

Early in life, I had to choose between honest arrogance and hypocritical humility. I chose honest arrogance and have seen no occasion to change

~Frank Lloyd Wright

Organic architecture seeks superior sense of use and a finer sense of

comfort, expressed in organic simplicity.

~Frank Lloyd Wright

A great architect is not made by way of a brain nearly so much as he is made by way of a cultivated, enriched heart.

~Frank Lloyd Wright

If you wisely invest in beauty, it will remain with you all the days of your life.

~Frank Lloyd Wright

Nature is the inspiration for all ornamentation

~Frank Lloyd Wright

An architect's most useful tools are an eraser at the drafting board, and a wrecking bar at the site.

~Frank Lloyd Wright

Mechanization best serves mediocrity.

~Frank Lloyd Wright

The truth is more important than the facts.

~Frank Lloyd Wright

The architect must be a prophet... a prophet in the true sense of the term... if he can't see at least ten years ahead don't call him an architect.

~Frank Lloyd Wright

Space is the breath of art.

~Frank Lloyd Wright

Architecture is the triumph of human imagination over materials, methods, and men, to put man into possession of his own earth

~Frank Lloyd Wright

I never design a building before I've seen the site and met the people who will be using it.

~Frank Lloyd Wright

Wood is universally beautiful to man. It is the most humanly intimate of all materials.

~Frank Lloyd Wright

Harvard takes perfectly good plums as students, and turns them into prunes.

~Frank Lloyd Wright

A building is not just a place to be but a way to be.

~Frank Lloyd Wright

The physician can bury his mistakes, but the architect can only advise his clients to plant vines.

~Frank Lloyd Wright

Love is the virtue of the Heart, Sincerity is the virtue of the Mind, Decision is the virtue of the Will, Courage is the virtue of the Spirit.

~Frank Lloyd Wright

The outside of any building may now come inside and the inside go outside, each seems as part of the other. Continuity, plasticity, and all the new simplicity they imply have at last come home.

~Frank Lloyd Wright

More and more, so it seems to me, light is the beautifier of the building.

~Frank Lloyd Wright

I wouldn't mind seeing opera die. Ever since I was a boy, I regarded

opera as a ponderous anachronism, almost the equivalent of smoking.

~Frank Lloyd Wright

The best friend on earth of man is the tree: When we use the tree respectfully and economically, we have one of the greatest resources of the earth.

~Frank Lloyd Wright

All fine architectural values are human values, else not valuable.

~Frank Lloyd Wright

The thing always happens that you really believe in; and the belief in a thing makes it happen.

~Frank Lloyd Wright

Organic buildings are the strength and lightness of the spiders' spinning, buildings qualified by light, bred by native character to environment, married to the ground.

~Frank Lloyd Wright

The space within becomes the reality of the building.

~Frank Lloyd Wright

If you're going to have centralization, why not have it!

~Frank Lloyd Wright

Every great architect is - necessarily - a great poet. He must be a great original interpreter of his time, his day, his age.

~Frank Lloyd Wright

Bring out the nature of the materials. Let their nature intimately into your scheme.

~Frank Lloyd Wright

Regard it as just as desirable to build a chicken house as to build a cathedral.

~Frank Lloyd Wright

The architect should strive continually to simplify; the ensemble of the rooms should then be carefully considered that comfort and utility may go hand in hand with beauty.

~Frank Lloyd Wright

I hate intellectuals. They are from the top down. I am from the bottom up.

~Frank Lloyd Wright

I attend the greatest of all Churches. I put a capital N on Nature, and call it my Church.

~Frank Lloyd Wright

Less is only more where more is no good.

~Frank Lloyd Wright

'Think in simples' as my old master used to say - meaning to reduce the whole to its parts in simplest terms, getting back to first principles.

~Frank Lloyd Wright

All the more I study Nature do I revere God, because Nature is all the body of God we will ever know.

~Frank Lloyd Wright

An expert is a man who has stopped thinking. Why should he think? He is an expert.

~Frank Lloyd Wright

Life always rides in strength to victory, not through internationalism... but only through the direct responsibility of the individual.

~Frank Lloyd Wright

The only thing wrong with architecture is architects.

~Frank Lloyd Wright

You can't make an architect. But you can open the doors and windows toward the light as you see it.

~Frank Lloyd Wright

If you foolishly ignore beauty, then you will soon find yourself without it.

~Frank Lloyd Wright

Youth is a circumstance you can't do anything about. The trick is to grow up without getting old.

~Frank Lloyd Wright

The present is the ever moving shadow that divides yesterday from tomorrow. In that lies hope.

~Frank Lloyd Wright

TV is chewing gum for the eyes.

~Frank Lloyd Wright

A man is a fool if he drinks before he reaches the age of 50, and a fool if he doesn't afterward.

~Frank Lloyd Wright

Each material has its own message.

~Frank Lloyd Wright

If it sells, it's art.

~Frank Lloyd Wright

The physician can bury his mistakes, but the architect can only advise

his client to plant vines - so they should go as far as possible from home to build their first buildings.

~Frank Lloyd Wright

An idea is salvation by imagination.

~Frank Lloyd Wright

Architecture is for the young. If our teenagers don't get architecture - if they are not inspired, (then) we won't have the architecture that we must have if this country is going to be beautiful.

~Frank Lloyd Wright

The ultimate creative thinking technique is to think like God. If you're an atheist, pretend how God would do it.

~Frank Lloyd Wright

The measure of a man's culture is the measure of his appreciation. We are ourselves what we appreciate and no more.

~Frank Lloyd Wright

No stream rises higher than its source

~Frank Lloyd Wright

Space. The continual becoming: invisible fountain from which all rhythms flow and to which they must pass. Beyond time or infinity

~Frank Lloyd Wright

It's easier to make changes with a pencil than a wrecking bar.

~Frank Lloyd Wright

Bureaucrats: they are dead at 30 and buried at 60. They are like custard pies; you can't nail them to a wall.

~Frank Lloyd Wright

Freedom is from within.

~Frank Lloyd Wright

Democracy is the opposite of totalitarianism, communism, fascism, or mobocracy.

~Frank Lloyd Wright

To know what to leave out and what to put in; just where and just how, ah, that is to have been educated in knowledge of simplicity.

~Frank Lloyd Wright

Architecture is essentially Human; it is the Human spirit manifesting itself. For when a Man builds, there, you've got him; you know exactly what, who and how that Man is.

~Frank Lloyd Wright

The Lincoln Memorial is related to the toga and the civilization that wore it.

~Frank Lloyd Wright

Nature is all the body of God we mortals will ever see.

~Frank Lloyd Wright

Many wealthy people are little more than janitors of their possessions.

~Frank Lloyd Wright

The best friend of earth of man is the tree.

~Frank Lloyd Wright

To look at the cross-section of any plan of a big city is to look at something like the section of a fibrous tumor.

~Frank Lloyd Wright

The best thing to do is go as far out as you can get... what you regard

as 'too far' - and when others follow, as they will, move on

~Frank Lloyd Wright

Nature is my manifestation of God. I go to nature every day for inspiration in the day's work. I follow in building the principles which nature has used in its domain.

~Frank Lloyd Wright

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~Frank Lloyd Wright

A professional is one who does his best work when he feels the least like working.

~Frank Lloyd Wright

Give me the luxuries of life and I will willingly do without the necessities.

~Frank Lloyd Wright

No house should ever be on any hill... It should be of the hill.

~Frank Lloyd Wright

Respect the masterpiece. It is true reverence to man. There is no quality so great, none so much needed now.

~Frank Lloyd Wright

Eventually, I think Chicago will be the most beautiful great city left in the world.

~Frank Lloyd Wright

The tall modern office building is the machine pure and simple...the engine, the motor and the battleship the works of the century.

~Frank Lloyd Wright

The scientist has marched in and taken the place of the poet. But one day somebody will find the solution to the problems of the world and remember, it will be a poet, not a scientist.

~Frank Lloyd Wright

Toleration and liberty are the foundations of a great republic.

~Frank Lloyd Wright

Youth is a quality, not a matter of circumstances.

~Frank Lloyd Wright

One war only breeds another.

~Frank Lloyd Wright

Buildings, too, are children of Earth and Sun.

~Frank Lloyd Wright

I find that government can be a kind of gangsterism and is in Russia. And is likely to be in America if we don't take care of ourselves pretty carefully.

~Frank Lloyd Wright

Noble life demands a noble architecture for noble uses of noble men. Lack of culture means what it has always meant: ignoble civilization and therefore imminent downfall.

~Frank Lloyd Wright

The room within is the great fact about the building.

~Frank Lloyd Wright

Human beings can be beautiful. If they are not beautiful it is entirely their own fault. It is what they do to themselves that makes them ugly.

~Frank Lloyd Wright

The heart is the chief feature of a functioning mind.

~Frank Lloyd Wright

I doubt if there is anything in the world uglier than a Midwestern city.

~Frank Lloyd Wright

Youth is not an age thing. It's a quality. Once you've had it, you never lose it.

~Frank Lloyd Wright

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