

Fred Frith

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As an improviser I'm now pretty comfortable with trios, so I'm thinking of working up to quartets.

~Fred Frith

There's an awful lot of resources that can be drawn upon in an improvised music concert.

~Fred Frith

Improvised music involves a lot of intuition and I like developing intuition.

~Fred Frith

I think that one of the things that influences me most as a composer is to what extent I can deconstruct and reconstruct the material that I'm working with.

~Fred Frith

It's like learning a language; you can't speak a language fluently until you find out who you are in that language, and that has as much to do with your body as it does with vocabulary and grammar.

~Fred Frith

If you write songs you have an idea how they're going to sound.

~Fred Frith

I remember playing football dressed in peculiar costumes with some friends in France and laughing so hard we couldn't even stand up, let alone kick the ball.

~Fred Frith

We play melodic music, we play songs, we play all kinds of things and when you improvise you don't just shut out different languages, you use all the languages that you have.

~Fred Frith

I don't know if I'm striving for anything that I can put into words.

~Fred Frith

If you mean do I use the guitar when I'm sitting at home writing stuff, then basically no, never. All I would ever write would be stuff that my fingers easily fall into.

~Fred Frith

Well, I think music for kids is never anything but experimental is it?

~Fred Frith

I write with a mouse, because it has no psychological associations or memories or habits associated with it.

~Fred Frith

I started getting interested in the notes that I could hear being generated when I hammered on while playing a classical guitar.

~Fred Frith

The totality of a record is usually beyond ones ability to imagine when you start working on it, but the component parts are, usually, fairly clear one way or another.

~Fred Frith

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