

Gay Talese Quotes

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It's true what they say - all the good men are married. But it's marriage that makes them good.

~Gay Talese

Listen, then make up your own mind.

~Gay Talese

People dress up for funerals. Why not dress up to celebrate that you're alive?

~Gay Talese

News, if unreported, has no impact. It might as well have not happened at all

~Gay Talese

Most journalists are restless voyeurs who see the warts on the world, the imperfections in people and places. . . . gloom is their game, the spectacle their passion, normality their nemesis.

~Gay Talese

Putting on a beautifully designed suit elevates my spirit, extols my sense of self, and helps define me as a man to whom details matter.

~Gay Talese

The Park Avenue of poodles and polished brass; it is cab country, tip-town, glassville, a window-washer's paradise.

~Gay Talese

People go to restaurants for so many different reasons. To court a girl, to make some deal. Maybe to talk to some lawyer about how to get an alimony settlement better than they got last week.

~Gay Talese

I am writing about people who are alive in the city of New York during

mid-20th-century America. And these people are like a character in a play or they are figures in a short story or a novel.

~Gay Talese

The real problem is what to do with problem solvers after the problem is solved.

~Gay Talese

I've always had standards about writing well. There is art in this business. There is potentially great art.

~Gay Talese

I write and rewrite and rewrite and write and like to turn in what I think is finished work.

~Gay Talese

Sports is about people who lose and lose and lose. They lose games; then they lose their jobs. It can be very intriguing.

~Gay Talese

Thirteen years I took on this last book.

~Gay Talese

Restaurants are a wonderful escape for me. And are for a lot of people.

~Gay Talese

I am a documentarian of what I do.

~Gay Talese

The reporter wrote with the hope that he would get a by-line in the Times, a testimony to his being alive on that day and all the tomorrows of microfilm

~Gay Talese

For example, many colleges in their writing programs teach some of my work.

~Gay Talese

I could come up with 50 stories that I am thinking about.

~Gay Talese

Yes there is a little group of soccer aficionados, but I am not one of them.

~Gay Talese

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