

Geoff Dyer

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Have regrets. They are fuel. On the page they flare into desire.

~Geoff Dyer

The ideal is to feel at home anywhere, everywhere.

~Geoff Dyer

One's happiness is very largely a question of state of mind rather than the world you are looking at.

~Geoff Dyer

Nine times out of 10, the most charming thing to say in any given situation will be the exact opposite of what one really feels.

~Geoff Dyer

To be interested in something is to be involved in what is essentially a stressful relationship with that thing, to suffer anxiety on its behalf.

~Geoff Dyer

All the best essays are epistemological journeys from ignorance or curiosity to knowledge.

~Geoff Dyer

Life is bearable even when it's unbearable: that is what's so terrible, that is the unbearable thing about it.

~Geoff Dyer

Quite often, ambition operates on a level of irritation. Not even jealousy, just irritation.

~Geoff Dyer

When you are lonely, writing can keep you company. It is also a form of self-compensation, a way of making up for thingsâ€™as opposed to making things upâ€™that did not quite happen.

~Geoff Dyer

If you help them (the crew) create good memories, they'll forget all the bad stuff

~Geoff Dyer

Never ride a bike with the brakes on. If something is proving too difficult, give up and do something else. Try to live without resort to perÂ-severance.

~Geoff Dyer

I guess that as life is speeded up and our capacity for concentration is being nibbled away at by all the obvious things, that leads us actually to be more susceptible to boredom.

~Geoff Dyer

I always like to be in the presence of people who are good at and love their jobs, Irrespective of their jobs.

~Geoff Dyer

Each of my book arrives at a form and a style that is appropriate to the subject.

~Geoff Dyer

These days any self-respecting exhibition of nude photos has to have pornographically explicit images to prove that they are works of art.

~Geoff Dyer

The process of book writing for me is entirely one of trial and error.

~Geoff Dyer

For so long I didn't have any kind of readership at all - I'd get published, but not read - the idea of writing for an audience is so anathema to me, it's never bothered me.

~Geoff Dyer

There's something about New York. You can get a nice feeling of belonging as a writer here. It's probably the best city on Earth like that. I miss the wisecracking of New York.

~Geoff Dyer

The one thing that you can say about the new Cabinet Donald Trump is putting together. That seems to be one of the coherent themes. They're very, very skeptical about Iran.

~Geoff Dyer

I've never been much drawn towards satire of any kind. I don't like that style whereby you kind of stitch people up. But the deeper thing is that I just find these people so impressive and admirable.

~Geoff Dyer

I like these nonfiction books where everything that is interesting about them is lost in that catch-all description of their "about"-ness.

~Geoff Dyer

Like most writers I spend a lot of my time sort of thinking, "It's such agony, I can't do it."

~Geoff Dyer

I don't like my books being defined by their "about"-ness. So now the subtitle has just become a kind of strap-line on the cover.

~Geoff Dyer

Foreign governments are going to be poring through all these Donald Trump tweets looking for - to try and discern what it means for foreign policy.

~Geoff Dyer

I've never really liked L.A., because of its sprawl.

~Geoff Dyer

It's this thing that's going on all the time - aging. Paul Auster quotes the poet George Oppen on growing old: "What a strange thing to happen to a little boy." Which I think is so profound.

~Geoff Dyer

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