

George Plimpton Quotes

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I have never been convinced there's anything inherently wrong in having fun.

~George Plimpton

I never understood people who don't have bookshelves.

~George Plimpton

The New York Times published the guest list on the front page. The masks were a brilliant concept.

~George Plimpton

The smaller the ball used in the sport, the better the book.

~George Plimpton

As happens with people who love a thing too much, it destroys them. Oscar Wilde said, 'You destroy the thing that you love.' It's the other way around. What you love destroys you.

~George Plimpton

Give me good books, good conversations, and my Trek Y-Foil, and I shall want for nothing else.

~George Plimpton

At the base of it was the urge, if you wanted to play football, to knock someone down, that was what the sport was all about, the will to win closely linked with contact.

~George Plimpton

Art has something to do with the arrest of attention in the midst of distraction.

~George Plimpton

Well, I have to write. A lot of people forget that. They think I'm sort of crazy baffoon who can't make up his mind what to do in life

~George Plimpton

It is also one of the pleasures of oral biography, in that the reader, rather than editor, is jury.

~George Plimpton

I remember being awed by it - the uniqueness and nicety of style - and I suspect I was a bit jealous because we were more or less of the same generation.

~George Plimpton

He still has the same way of calling to me, as if I'm still new to him, as if he has yet to get over me.

~George Plimpton

My favorite monologue in the book is Kate Harrington's story of her relationship with Truman.

~George Plimpton

Rick Bass is one of the best writers of his generation.

~George Plimpton

You do not cut a check in the state of Kansas to John Doe, executioner. The executioner is paid in cash so there's no trail to him

~George Plimpton

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