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Whenever I listen to a children's orchestra, I learn. They feel everything, they enjoy everything, they have amazing energy.

~Gustavo Dudamel

Music is a fundamental human right

~Gustavo Dudamel

The challenge is not so much to change the sound. The challenge is to connect and to create something special.

~Gustavo Dudamel

It's not that people don't like classical music. It's that they don't have the chance to understand and to experience it.

~Gustavo Dudamel

With an orchestra you are building citizens, better citizens for the community.

~Gustavo Dudamel

You have to believe that things will happen, you have to work and love what you're doing.

~Gustavo Dudamel

I set out to create a means whereby music could be a way of vindicating the rights of the masses.

~Gustavo Dudamel

When people feel that something really special is happening on the stage, things change.

~Gustavo Dudamel

In my imagination yes, I remember, when I was six years old, I was conducting all this concert in my house. But now it's real.

~Gustavo Dudamel

Classical music in Venezuela is now something like a pop concert. You can see people screaming or crying because they don't have a ticket.

~Gustavo Dudamel

I want to work with the big orchestras. I want to have a big family.

~Gustavo Dudamel

When you play Mozart, it's so clean, it's so simple. It's the body naked.

~Gustavo Dudamel

I think that I need to learn a lot, a lot.

~Gustavo Dudamel

You learn a lot about each other from a tour, musically and humanly.

~Gustavo Dudamel

Recently, I went to a disco with friends, and all the young people were saying, 'Dudamel, we want to go to your concert, but it's impossible because it's sold out.' It's really amazing.

~Gustavo Dudamel

I have eaten very well in Los Angeles. Marvelously!

~Gustavo Dudamel

I wanted to play my violin and have my musical expression through the instrument. But then I was really young when I had my first opportunity to conduct.

~Gustavo Dudamel

For me, Venezuela is very important, not just because it's a place I go to conduct, but because my family is there - my wife, my parents and my musical family.

~Gustavo Dudamel

I love to travel, but sometimes it's nice to stay in one place.

~Gustavo Dudamel

It's a physical challenge. It's a spiritual challenge. I'm studying almost every day a different symphony, not returning to any one for a week.

~Gustavo Dudamel

Los Angeles is a very special city. It's a great ethnic mix, a great cultural mix.

~Gustavo Dudamel

My material life is simple.

~Gustavo Dudamel

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