

Herb Ritts Quotes

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Many people who excel are self-taught.

~Herb Ritts

I like form and shape and strength in pictures.

~Herb Ritts

Regardless of whether you speak the language or are familiar with a culture, the picture should hold up.

~Herb Ritts

For me, the most important thing I learned was just honing my eye. I think I had a good eye.

~Herb Ritts

Within two hours of where I live, you have mountains and desert as location. I like the natural elements that abstract into light, texture, shape and shadow.

~Herb Ritts

It's important to let your subjects be themselves.

~Herb Ritts

I think knowing people by first names, not by what they do sexually, is really what it's about. Not being afraid. Fear is the enemy. I've always been comfortable with being gay.

~Herb Ritts

The education, the cultural awareness, is different in Europe, especially in France, from that in the United States. So I think the public will be much more appreciative of many images.

~Herb Ritts

Even though I didn't get a business degree, I enjoyed learning about economics.

~Herb Ritts

What I particularly liked was that, coming from California and not being involved in the New York scene, I developed my personal way, in my own way, at my own pace.

~Herb Ritts

Generally, the French highly promote culture and the arts, and photography is in their blood.

~Herb Ritts

It's always more comforting to know that in any given corner of any room or any location you're on, you can make a photograph that you'll appreciate.

~Herb Ritts

Coming from California and growing up where I did, I've always had a fondness for and innate sensitivity to light, texture, and warmth.

~Herb Ritts

Being an American is about having the right to be who you are. Sometimes that doesn't happen.

~Herb Ritts

I was an economics major, which I enjoyed because I had a good business sense.

~Herb Ritts

Actually, when I first started dabbling in photography, I was still working for my parents as a salesman.

~Herb Ritts

I abstract it in my photographs: I like large planes and spaces, areas of texture and light, like deserts or oceans or monumental places.

~Herb Ritts

Each time I did assignments or editorials, I realized that I wanted to do something more. I saw that it wasn't just about the clothes.

~Herb Ritts

And what excites me most is the type of public, the fact that the Parisian people have a broader cultural understanding than many Americans do.

~Herb Ritts

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