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Those who live by the sea can hardly form a single thought of which the sea would not be part.

~Hermann Broch

No one's death comes to pass without making some impression, and those close to the deceased inherit part of the liberated soul and become richer in their humanness.

~Hermann Broch

Although every man believes that his decisions and resolutions involve the most multifarious factors, in reality they are mere oscillation between flight and longing.

~Hermann Broch

The world has always gone through periods of madness so as to advance a bit on the road to reason.

~Hermann Broch

The goddess of beauty is the goddess Kitsch.

~Hermann Broch

One who hates is a man holding a magnifying-glass, and when he hates someone, he knows precisely that person's surface, from the soles of his feet all the way up to each hair on the hated head

~Hermann Broch

Are we, then, insane because we have not gone mad?

~Hermann Broch

The essence of kitsch is the confusion of ethical and esthetic categories; kitsch wants to produce not the "good" but the "beautiful."

~Hermann Broch

Kitsch tends to wallow in beauty - its shortcoming is not aesthetic, but

ethical

~Hermann Broch

What's important is promising something to the people, not actually keeping those promises. The people have always lived on hope alone.

~Hermann Broch

Romanticism is the mother of kitsch and that there are moments when the child becomes so like its mother that one cannot differentiate between them

~Hermann Broch

Kitsch generates pseudonovelty with no new insight into reality, or else does not concern itself at all with the new and produces its effects with more or less academic eclecticism.

~Hermann Broch

While love ceaselessly strives toward that which lies at the hiddenmost center, hatred only perceives the topmost surface . . .

~Hermann Broch

Were one merely to seek information, one should inquire of the man who hates, but if one wishes to know what truly is, one better ask the one who loves

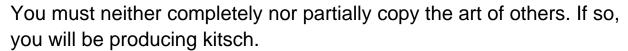
~Hermann Broch

A kitsch novel describes the world not as it really is, but as it is hoped and feared to be.

~Hermann Broch

The techniques of kitsch, which are based on imitation, are rational and operate according to formulas; the remain rational even when their result has a highly irrational, even crazy, quality.

~Hermann Broch



~Hermann Broch

Kitsch is certainly not "bad art," it forms its own closed system.

~Hermann Broch

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