

Ian Anderson

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If Jesus Christ came back today, He and I would get into our brown corduroys and go to the nearest jean store and overturn the racks of blue denim.

~Ian Anderson

Bring me a wheel of oaken wood
A rein of polished leather
A Heavy Horse and a tumbling sky
Brewing heavy weather.

~Ian Anderson

I can never make up my mind if I'm happy being a flute player, or if I wish I were Eric Clapton.

~Ian Anderson

It's only the giving that makes you what you are.

~Ian Anderson

Seek that which within lies waiting to begin the fight of your life that is everyday.

~Ian Anderson

A lot of pop music is about stealing pocket money from children.

~Ian Anderson

Why do the faithful have such a will, to believe in something? And call in the name they choose, having chosen nothing.

~Ian Anderson

Another tea-time, another day older.

~Ian Anderson

I make up my own mind in light of available facts, with my own experience and a sense of personal ethics.

~Ian Anderson

Touring is what you make it. I like to organise as much as possible myself.

~Ian Anderson

I think it's really the job of the composer, the artist, the painter, the writer to present people with options. I'm just really reflecting the thoughts and actions around me.

~Ian Anderson

It was instilled in me that the money I was given was not to be lost or spent on any other purpose.

~Ian Anderson

As a musician, life is not over just because you are getting older, and so I find retirement a very frightening and dark thought.

~Ian Anderson

But the tune ends too soon for us all

~Ian Anderson

I was not a great guitarist, so I sold my 1960 Fender Stratocaster in exchange for a Shure Microphone, made in Chicago, and a flute.

~Ian Anderson

I feel the audience has a right to know if some of the money they're spending is going to a certain cause, and reassuring them the money is going to where it's supposed to be going.

~Ian Anderson

It might work with one orchestra, and the next orchestra - the oboe player might not get it. It's different every time, but some of the orchestras do end up enjoying it and having a great time.

~Ian Anderson

Our politicians may fail us, but Status Quo always delivers on the promise.

~Ian Anderson

Cafe society is as old as the hills. Starbucks and its imitators are the coffee face of the new man in a hurry.

~Ian Anderson

The flute was an alternative to being a small fish in an increasingly bigger pool filled with a number of great guitar players.

~Ian Anderson

I'm really terrible with small children; they're small, noisy, irritating, damp and soggy.

~Ian Anderson

I am not afraid to appear in Israel, although when I come to a place like Israel, I know it's not a picnic by the Thames. I am aware of the tension and it saddens me.

~Ian Anderson

Walk the lines of nature's palm crossed with silver and with gold.

~Ian Anderson

Oh father high in heaven - smile down upon your son
Who's busy with his money games - his women and his gun.

~Ian Anderson

Question all as to their ways and learn the secrets that they hold

~Ian Anderson

I'm very much an observer and a conduit of thoughts and ideas.

~Ian Anderson

The Rock and Roll Hall of Fame traditionally has had a management style that is very supportive of American talent, first and foremost, over everything else. And I think that's right and proper.

~Ian Anderson

Not to be mean about it, but some great rock and rollers, like Bo Diddley and Chuck Berry, are pretty one-dimensional.

~Ian Anderson

Come with me to the Winged Isle- Northern father's Western child
Where the Dance of Ages is playing still through far marches of Acres
Wild.

~Ian Anderson

I've always been fond of acoustic music.

~Ian Anderson

I kind of like the idea of living a rather ordinary life as a shopkeeper, and I examine that possibility as one of the outcomes of the young Gerald Bostock growing older.

~Ian Anderson

I'm not one for Sudoku or crosswords - the thing that fires my little brain is doing tour budgets.

~Ian Anderson

In most cases, my favorite Jethro Tull songs will be determined by how I feel about them as live performance songs, not by the recorded identity.

~Ian Anderson

I'm all in favor of banks that play their part in community endeavors, private individuals looking for loans, people who want to start up a little business, and that's what banks are for.

~Ian Anderson

Classical music only really came into my life in 1969. I wish I had heard classical music and church music when I was a teenager or even as a child.

~Ian Anderson

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