

Iris Chang

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The worst... was what the Pakistani soldiers did to the Bengali women after their failed rebellion.

~Iris Chang

They probably do have an Asian Barbie.

~Iris Chang

I have certainly amassed many historical research gathering skills.

~Iris Chang

As the Nobel laureate Elie Wiesel warned years ago, to forget a holocaust is to kill twice.

~Iris Chang

There isn't much in the way of pure communist spirit, because the whole nation seems to be engaged in capitalistic enterprises. Much of the country still operates under government control.

~Iris Chang

I don't mind solitude. I love talking to other people, but I do need my space.

~Iris Chang

Often, what you see in the media is driven by economic forces.

~Iris Chang

Your first duty as a writer is to write to please yourself. And you have no duty towards anyone else.

~Iris Chang

Almost all people have this potential for evil, which would be unleashed only under certain dangerous social circumstances.

~Iris Chang

When the Chinese first came to San Francisco, they were actually welcomed by the mayor and they had special ceremonies for them-again this is when their colony was very small, only a few Chinese.

~Iris Chang

There isn't much discussion of ruling class in America even in Boston, probably one of the most class-conscious cities in the country?

~Iris Chang

I may attempt a novel. I think that no matter what you write, it requires being honest with oneself, and you have to pull yourself out of the whirlwind of daily life.

~Iris Chang

The spoken word vanished with the wind. Likewise, the unrecorded life disappears as if it never existed.

~Iris Chang

Racism is always there underneath, but usually it is exploited in these times of economic crisis, and it's hard to find out when one slides into another.

~Iris Chang

Whatever is not commonly seen is condemned as alien.

~Iris Chang

It is very difficult to hang onto the relics of history.

~Iris Chang

When you believe you have a future, you think in terms of generations and years. When you do not, you live not just by the day "but by the minute.

~Iris Chang

I have to finish this book tour of almost 30 cities.

~Iris Chang

Books are the ultimate way for writers to reach immortality.

~Iris Chang

If the conditions were right there could be great acceptance. Often it is only when they pose an economic or political threat that it turns really ugly.

~Iris Chang

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