

James Young Quotes

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Thinking, Song, Mind, Effects, Village, Fans, Audience, Perspective, Pain, Use*

In my own mind, we are a much happier and much more functional family and a much more well balanced group of individuals both off and on the stage - in the current incarnation.

~James Young

Being in the studio is okay but sitting in a room by yourself composing is a discipline that takes a certain type of mind set and Tommy has a great gift for that as did the previous guy.

~James Young

You know the puritan ethic that started out four centuries ago in this country, needless to say - at least for the moment - a thing of the past - from what I can tell.

~James Young

The Westgate Landfill is zoned for residential use. It's near a planned village. The Navy has a capping plan for the site, but it's not consistent with residential use for the site.

~James Young

We always got a strong response but I think in this day in age there is less of a marijuana fog at concerts and more of people just more naturally exuberant - it seems to me.

~James Young

And I said - Styx - as a musical group it is our place to reflect the light that is shining on us back onto this place and say - this is where so much great stuff started.

~James Young

I don't know, I think the crowds are even more responsive now because the audiences are skewing younger.

~James Young

But there are rock and roll fans all over this continent and all over the globe, really, and we're just set at marking the planet with Styx music until the day we die.

~James Young

I don't quite have the energy for extra curricular activities. I have to pace myself a little bit more.

~James Young

All pain is per se and especially in excess, destructive and ultimately fatal in its nature and effects.

~James Young

We're gonna release a studio album probably a year from now and we've got these recordings that we did with Coco Taylor and Johnny Johnson, who was Chuck Berry's piano player.

~James Young

Ten years ago, in 94, we thought maybe nobody would ever care about Styx again.

~James Young

So, it's a matter of that I want to take our music around the globe.

~James Young

And for REO - they get to play for some Styx fans and then we get to play in front of some REO fans. It helps spread the new music to the following of other bands.

~James Young

People like to let loose at rock concerts and it gives them an excuse to do it in a way that is not destructive to others and not really destructive to the band.

~James Young

Seeing our VH-1 Behind the Music shows just how dysfunctional some of the moments of the band were but this new line-up has put the fun back in dysfunction.

~James Young

So, maybe you don't see blues so much in Styx's music but it is definitely part of Tommy's early music.

~James Young

The studio that we mix in is still in Chicago.

~James Young

We just have to be ourselves.

~James Young

They're kind of baby steps. We haven't made any measurable impact on the mortality rate or survival of this disease.

~James Young

I'll play until they have to scrape me off the stage.

~James Young

We live in a litigious society, and that's the way it is. Better safe than sorry.

~James Young

I take the stage as a man in his fifties and walk off the stage like a man in his twenties.

~James Young

The live concerts are still one of the two greatest joys of my life.

~James Young

I'm into playing guitars, not into figuring out what else goes on with

them.

~James Young

People tell us they have been inspired by our music to do great things.

~James Young

The travel is a lot uglier than it once was with TSA and the deregulation of the airline services. These planes are getting smaller for my 6" 2' frame.

~James Young

I guess I should be more ambitious about practicing, but when I'm out on the road, that's about all I do.

~James Young

Whereas with us - what you hear is what's happening right then and there on the stage - so we don't need no stinking technology.

~James Young

The Internet has killed the traditional record business, but it's given back in the way of instant access.

~James Young

Our customers want to give us more business and the key for us is to manage growing volumes properly.

~James Young

It's crazy how every guitarist is their own worst critic in many ways.

~James Young

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