

Jeanne Moreau

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Life is given to you like a flat piece of land and everything has to be done. I hope that when I'm finished, my piece of land will be a beautiful garden.

~Jeanne Moreau

To go out with the setting sun on an empty beach is to truly embrace your solitude.

~Jeanne Moreau

I shall die very young...maybe seventy, maybe eighty, maybe ninety. But I shall be very young.

~Jeanne Moreau

As long as you don't make waves, ripples, life seems easy. But that's condemning yourself to impotence and death before you are dead.

~Jeanne Moreau

Something pretty... that's just the surface. People worry so much about aging, but you look younger if you don't worry about it.

~Jeanne Moreau

I have always had the urge to open forbidden doors: with a curiosity and an obstinacy that verge on masochism.

~Jeanne Moreau

If you get trapped in the idea that what is most important is what image of yourself you're giving to the world, you're on a dangerous path.

~Jeanne Moreau

To be free means to choose, whose slave you want to be. Â-

~Jeanne Moreau

If you want to live your life through to the end, you have to live dangerously.

~Jeanne Moreau

To give and receive love, you have to be in touch with pain, you have to be capable of provoking it and feeling it.

~Jeanne Moreau

For me it's not possible to forget, and I don't understand people who, when the love is ended, can bury the other person in hatred or oblivion. For me, a man I have loved becomes a kind of brother.

~Jeanne Moreau

I think more and more people want to live alone. You can be a couple without being in each other's pockets. I don't see why you have to share the same bathroom.

~Jeanne Moreau

Knowing how to die is knowing how to live. What is death anyway? It's the outcome of life.

~Jeanne Moreau

Although for some people cinema means something superficial and glamorous, it is something else. I think it is the mirror of the world.

~Jeanne Moreau

Women will not talk about football unless one of them is in love with a football player, and then suddenly you discover that they know everything that is to be known about it.

~Jeanne Moreau

I don't like going where I've already been. Life is a myriad of territories to discover. I don't want to waste time with what I already know.

~Jeanne Moreau

To me age is a number, just a number. Who cares?

~Jeanne Moreau

The life you had is nothing. It is the life you have that is important.

~Jeanne Moreau

In making dinner for a friend, don't forget the love.

~Jeanne Moreau

I don't feel guilt. Whatever I wish to do, I do.

~Jeanne Moreau

Being an actress is to be in tune with the fantasies of a man. What woman never dreamt of that?

~Jeanne Moreau

Some people are addicts. If they don't act, they don't exist.

~Jeanne Moreau

My aim in life is not to judge.

~Jeanne Moreau

Every night I go over what I did in the day, in ethical or moral terms. Have I treated people properly? Did I tell the truth?

~Jeanne Moreau

Some gods may cross your path, but why should gods be beautiful? They could also be frightening.

~Jeanne Moreau

During rehearsals I am confronted by things very mysterious. I have terrific fights with inner demons, and it's more painful than it ever was.

~Jeanne Moreau

I can't belong to groups. I've tried. I behave normally, but people don't

look at me normally.

~Jeanne Moreau

One thing you have to give up is attaching importance to what people see in you.

~Jeanne Moreau

If you're extremely, painfully frightened of age, it shows.

~Jeanne Moreau

It's a fantastic thing to take the risk of getting so close to your desire, expressing your obsession so absolutely.

~Jeanne Moreau

All those vitamins aren't to keep death at bay, they're to keep deterioration at bay.

~Jeanne Moreau

My face has changed with the years and has enough history in it to give audiences something to work with.

~Jeanne Moreau

All fiction becomes autobiographical when the author has true talent.

~Jeanne Moreau

When I'm acting, I'm two beings. There's the one monitoring the distance between myself and the camera, making sure I hit my marks, and there is the one driven by this inner fire, this delicious fear.

~Jeanne Moreau

You're responsible for yourself as an actress, you know that your personal growth goes through that alchemy, and you give as much importance to your life as you do to your acting.

~Jeanne Moreau

We have so many words for states of mind, and so few words for the states of the body.

~Jeanne Moreau

It's like climbing a staircase. I'm on the top of the staircase, I look behind me and I see the steps. That's where I was.

~Jeanne Moreau

You should not separate your life from what you do.

~Jeanne Moreau

Many people associate stage fright with a fear of looking ridiculous, making a bad impression. For me, it's like a kind of fever.

~Jeanne Moreau

Beyond the beauty, the sex, the titillation, the surface, there is a human being. And that has to emerge.

~Jeanne Moreau

The cliché is that life is a mountain. You go up, reach the top and then go down.

~Jeanne Moreau

Acting for me was the gospel, the love of the spoken word.

~Jeanne Moreau

Why should we stop living because some people try to kill what is left of energy in ourselves?

~Jeanne Moreau

I don't think success is harmful, as so many people say. Rather, I believe it indispensable to talent, if for nothing else than to increase the talent.

~Jeanne Moreau

Characters who are on screen from start to finish are not necessarily the ones who have the greatest impact.

~Jeanne Moreau

Some children I have met are very beautiful. Some children are imbeciles, vulgar, terrible.

~Jeanne Moreau

Aging gracefully is supposed to mean trying not to hide time passing and just looking a wreck. Don't worry girls, look like a wreck, that's the way it goes.

~Jeanne Moreau

When you live under the power of terror and segregation, you can't ever start a work of art.

~Jeanne Moreau

You don't have to be a wreck. You don't have to be sick. One's aim in life should be to die in good health. Just like a candle that burns out.

~Jeanne Moreau

Sometimes the directors were afraid of what they brought out of me.

~Jeanne Moreau

I don't like the idea of separating life and work. That notion seems dated and a bit alien to me.

~Jeanne Moreau

It's this subconscious part of me that knows just how far to go, and suddenly, everything bursts into flames.

~Jeanne Moreau

As long as one asserts oneself and is true to oneself.

~Jeanne Moreau

Success is like a liberation or the first phrase of a love story.

~Jeanne Moreau

I gradually work myself into a frenzy as the shoot approaches, while we're choosing the costumes or working with the make-up artist. I'm not so much interested in my character as the film itself.

~Jeanne Moreau

People's opinions don't interfere with me.

~Jeanne Moreau

To give a character life in a short space of time, it helps if you arrive on screen with a past.

~Jeanne Moreau

As a matter of principle, I always come to a film like a blank slate, I don't learn my lines in advance. With this approach, I feel clean.

~Jeanne Moreau

I need, absolutely, to be alone.

~Jeanne Moreau

I am subject to very powerful lows. When you have highs, you have terrible lows. When you pinpoint that you are responsible for everything that happens to you, it is very frightening.

~Jeanne Moreau

Nostalgia is when you want things to stay the same. I know so many people staying in the same place.

~Jeanne Moreau

Death is an absolute mystery. We are all vulnerable to it, it's what makes life interesting and suspenseful.

~Jeanne Moreau

I'm always amazed when young women who are having babies want their husbands to watch the babies come out. I would never allow anything like that.

~Jeanne Moreau

What is amazing for a woman of my age is that I change as the world is changing-and changing very, very fast. I don't think my mother had that opportunity to change.

~Jeanne Moreau

In these days people take up with each other and drop each other too easily. Pleasure is practiced like a sport, and the easy game of love leads to the dissolution of the feeling of love.

~Jeanne Moreau

Liberation didn't solve anything. It just opened up the doors to greed. Some people mix up sex now as if they were eating or drinking like crazy.

~Jeanne Moreau

As soon as an actress is past 40, they call her a grande dame. As long as I'm here in good health, I'm stable.

~Jeanne Moreau

I can be intimidating, but not within the confines of a film shoot.

~Jeanne Moreau

When Tony was madly in love with me, his relationship with Vanessa Redgrave was ending.

~Jeanne Moreau

Making films is no longer a way of acting, it is a way of life.

~Jeanne Moreau

Usually when a woman is 60, it's over.

~Jeanne Moreau

I've been related to everything. Even the production; I knew how much it cost, I knew where the money went. It didn't last long, because hierarchy came back again.

~Jeanne Moreau

How can you say something's important if you don't first withdraw and feel how rich you've become? That way you can become really generous. Otherwise, what do you give?

~Jeanne Moreau

I am a woman with absolutely no sense of nostalgia.

~Jeanne Moreau

My analyst refused to hear my dreams. This was years ago.

~Jeanne Moreau

To give the best of yourself, to be ready to please is OK for a while. But people expect certain things from you, and you have to go beyond that and say, no.

~Jeanne Moreau

Life has to flow. But if you start worrying about it, you block time.

~Jeanne Moreau

Life is an accomplishment and each moment has a meaning and you must use it.

~Jeanne Moreau

I've never worried about age.

~Jeanne Moreau

I have no doubt who I am.

~Jeanne Moreau

It's just as idiotic to say there is no life after death as it is to say there is one.

~Jeanne Moreau

Age protects love not, but love protects up to a certain degree before age.

~Jeanne Moreau

I could live without acting.... Acting is a gift I've received. And I'm grateful for it and I enjoy it. But it's not the main point of my life. It never was.

~Jeanne Moreau

I know there were things emanating from me. I was not aware of what attracted all these directors to me.

~Jeanne Moreau

It's dangerous to assert oneself.

~Jeanne Moreau

nothing is more like truth than a lie, don't you find?

~Jeanne Moreau

Acting isn't a profession, it's a way of living.

~Jeanne Moreau

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