

# Joan Armatrading Quotes

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All your travelling is together, you eat together, you're on stage as a band together, when you get to the sound-check the band and the crew are all together.

~Joan Armatrading

Classical, Romantic, and Baroque music, that's what I really like.

~Joan Armatrading

When you're on tour you definitely don't want lots of arguments. It's very important that everybody gets on because you're in close proximity a great deal of the time.

~Joan Armatrading

I am constantly being told that I have been a big influence for many people, including other musicians.

~Joan Armatrading

Right from day one, you know when you've written a good song.

~Joan Armatrading

Inspiration doesn't really work like that - you're not looking out for it. Inspiration is something that tends to capture you rather than you capture it.

~Joan Armatrading

It's a very organic process, and it has a specific order to it. I love to write, and once you've written, then you arrange. After the arrangement, you record it, and then you tour it.

~Joan Armatrading

This band - because this is myself on electric and acoustic guitars - we've done three tours together now and I really, really like it which is why I did the DVD as well.

~Joan Armatrading

My mother bought a piano, put it in the front room, and I just started writing my songs.

~Joan Armatrading

Whichever age you are, that's the best age. I'm a very "now" person.

~Joan Armatrading

I am not in love / But I'm open to persuasion.

~Joan Armatrading

In America, you watch TV and think that's totally unreal, then you step outside and it's just the same.

~Joan Armatrading

Writing is all about self-editing; it's all about being present being aware of what's happening

~Joan Armatrading

I love to go on tour and perform. I love all the parts of the process.

~Joan Armatrading

Yesterday I was playing Beethovens fifth, because I love that.

~Joan Armatrading

That is one of the things about going on tour, that I get to work with some really talented people and it allows me to be able to listen to them as well - and just have fun on stage.

~Joan Armatrading

So if you're on tour for eight months, a year... or whatever it is you definitely don't want arguments and I'm happy to say that I've always had a really nice bunch of people around me all the time.

~Joan Armatrading

Writing music is just something that I was born to do.

~Joan Armatrading

When I was younger I was obsessed with writing, so even if I wanted to listen, I didnt have time.

~Joan Armatrading

I've always written in a free, unencumbered way.

~Joan Armatrading

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