

# John Dyer

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My great love is my home county of Cornwall, I love to sit and watch people enjoying themselves on the beaches and in the harbour towns of Cornwall.

~John Dyer

I studied for my degree in London and consequently ended up spending five years away from Cornwall. I deliberately moved away from the coast to experience a different way of life.

~John Dyer

I have improved the way in which I paint. The colours are cleaner and there is more energy in the brush work.

~John Dyer

I have lived in Cornwall from the age of 4, so I have always been aware of the artistic heritage that the county has. I feel very proud to be able to connect to this.

~John Dyer

A man may go to heaven without health, without riches, without honors, without learning, without friends; but he can never go there without Christ.

~John Dyer

The most amazing thing to me about the sea is the tide. A harbour like St. Ives is totally transformed in a very short space of time by the arrival or departure of the sea.

~John Dyer

The paintings by Van Gough and Chagall had a big influence on me.

~John Dyer

I have been surrounded by artists and paintings throughout my life. My father Ted Dyer is an artist, and from a very early age I have spent time

painting and drawing.

~John Dyer

I decided to become a painter when my first four paintings were all published and attracted a great deal of interest. I exhibited one of them and it was sold.

~John Dyer

In some parts of the world there is very little tidal movement.

~John Dyer

I really enjoy squeezing out a big lump of paint directly onto the canvas and leaving it; fresh, immediate and sometimes shocking.

~John Dyer

I still take photographs for my own use, personal studies. I do not feel that I can fully express my views through the medium and this is why I have moved towards painting.

~John Dyer

Painting is really good fun, I have always enjoyed it. As long as I paint what I want with the freedom that I enjoy, I never tire.

~John Dyer

I use about 20 different colours to retain the luminance in my work.

~John Dyer

I want to paint big, bright, optimistic pictures of the place I love.

~John Dyer

It's a terrible thing wishing that it can be someone else's tragedy.

~John Dyer

My father is a well known artist, Ted Dyer, who has been painting for

many years. Our work is very different, but growing up surrounded by paintings, paints, easels and art books does have an effect.

~John Dyer

I was told I was talented when I applied to Falmouth School of Art and that I should consider skipping the course and proceeding directly to degree level.

~John Dyer

I realised that if I did what I wanted to do, it would work.

~John Dyer

I paint what I see, not what a camera would see.

~John Dyer

The majority of my work is from life. I spend most fine days from May to October painting outside.

~John Dyer

My optimism for life carried through my work.

~John Dyer

I used to own a dingy and can still sail one if pushed, but I like the pleasure boats.

~John Dyer

Digital media has destroyed much of the magic and mystery of the medium.

~John Dyer

I apply paint directly from the tube and with my fingers.

~John Dyer

During the winter when the weather is too poor to work outside, I do

use drawings and photographs, but I change my work so it is not just a time and place study.

~John Dyer

And he that will this health deny, Down among the dead men let him lie.

~John Dyer

I use a wide selection of colours. It is impossible to produce work like mine using only the primary colours as they only mix a certain range of colour.

~John Dyer

The lifestyle that an artist can have, the freedom to wander in the landscape with no real pressure or deadlines, was a very attractive one.

~John Dyer

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