

Joshua L. Goldberg

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Dismiss thoughts of 'good, bad, right, wrong, success, failure' - be spontaneous.

~Joshua L. Goldberg

The great square has no corners and the great implement completes nothing.

~Joshua L. Goldberg

Respond to others about your work with equanimity.

~Joshua L. Goldberg

Representational painters: place your works in a larger context. Give your work not only breadth but breath. Do not 'copy' what you see outwardly but give it 'spirit.

~Joshua L. Goldberg

Playful arising is authorized by both risk and trust in the process and in oneself. To be truly playful and improvisational one must not look for results.

~Joshua L. Goldberg

Painting is so close, so personal, so immediate, and so ordinary... It is the ordinary resurrections that define your painting.

~Joshua L. Goldberg

Allow the brush to 'wander' above the realm of conventional judgement and practice.

~Joshua L. Goldberg

Identify in your work opposites of color, form, compositional arrangements, space, etc.

~Joshua L. Goldberg

Representational painters: loosen the grip of inflexibility! Abstract

painters: tighten your hold on crafting your images! In both types of painting students need to unlearn what one has acquired.

~Joshua L. Goldberg

Reconcile the loss of the painting - no matter how many times it may happen - with the joy of beginning again.

~Joshua L. Goldberg

Ask yourself, 'What is obstructing my vision?' What is the difference between seeing and looking?

~Joshua L. Goldberg

Abstract painters: redefine your perspectives. Think in terms of the whole, not simply its parts.

~Joshua L. Goldberg

Nurture doubt as a creative strategy.

~Joshua L. Goldberg

Seeing nothing one sees everything.

~Joshua L. Goldberg

Rapid-collage prevents any elevating movement toward a fixed goal. To 'be nowhere' is to let oneself be.

~Joshua L. Goldberg

Master water first and then paint.

~Joshua L. Goldberg

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