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Believe

~Kathy Acker

I understand that postmodern literature probably means people like DeLillo, The Fiction Collective, but I don't get it that those writers are really influenced by postmodern theorists.

~Kathy Acker

GET RID OF MEANING. YOUR MIND IS A NIGHTMARE THAT HAS BEEN EATING YOU: NOW EAT YOUR MIND.

~Kathy Acker

If you ask me what I want, I'll tell you. I want everything.

~Kathy Acker

We get on the bandwagon in all sorts of ways - you know minor ways and major ways - like what you've just encountered which isn't censorship exactly, it was something sort of uglier in a way.

~Kathy Acker

Well, I think writing is basically about time and rhythm. Like with jazz. You have your basic melody and then you just riff off of it. And the riffs are about timing.

~Kathy Acker

There are times when the law jeopardizes those who obey it.

~Kathy Acker

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I wasn't really into body piercings until I found that about half my female students had them.

My nutritionist read my pathology report and said, "There's only one way you can beat your cancer." "What's that?" "You have to find out what caused it.

~Kathy Acker

A novel is a book with a lot of pages.

~Kathy Acker

In such a society as ours the only possible chance for change, for mobility, for political, economic, and moral flow lies in the tactics of guerrilla warfare, in the use of fictions, of language.

~Kathy Acker

Every one-night-stand or man in a one-night-stand is like every other one-night-stand or man in a one-night-stand because the sex in a one-night-stand is without time and only time allows value.

~Kathy Acker

We come crawling through these cracks, orphans, lobotomies; if you ask me what I want, I'll tell you. I want everything. Whole rotten world come down and break. Let me spread my legs.

~Kathy Acker

I understand that when people read my books that there's something there - but I don't identify with it.

~Kathy Acker

Pain is the world. I don't have anywhere to run.

~Kathy Acker

The whole world is men's bloody fantasies.

~Kathy Acker

'cause humans, above all, fear intelligence. how humans, scared out of

their minds, gather whatever intelligence they can put their hands on and put it all in a central penitentiary named facts.

~Kathy Acker

I'm very staid compared to my students, actually.

~Kathy Acker

I find waiting unbearable because it makes me passive and negates me. I hate being nothing.

~Kathy Acker

The personal interiorization of the practice of humiliation is called humility.

~Kathy Acker

Love goes away when your mind goes away and then you're someone else.

~Kathy Acker

All memory can do is scream for touch.

~Kathy Acker

I think the best thing in cases of censorship or things like this is to get as much media as possible.

~Kathy Acker

There must be a secret hidden in this book or else you wouldn't bother to read it

~Kathy Acker

I want to get out of here means I want to be innocent.

~Kathy Acker

First of all, writing at best - certainly fiction writing - more and more I

think is magic.

~Kathy Acker

Literature is that which denounces and slashes apart the repressing machine at the level of the signified.

~Kathy Acker

I think it's really important to find out why people hurt you or try to oppose you or whatever.

~Kathy Acker

Those who are driven by poverty, those who're free from material worries hunger exhausting labor a joyless existence ask the same question, the question of meaning.

~Kathy Acker

Writing must be a machine for breaking down, that is, allowing the now uncontrolled and uncontrollable reconstitutions of thoughts and expressions. All other kinds of writing simply express.

~Kathy Acker

Some of the stuff about Yogi energy is really fascinating.

~Kathy Acker

A language is the appearances of connections therefore language as in writing doesn't express anything: it creates.

~Kathy Acker

And I'm working at trying to find a kind of language where I won't be so easily modulated by expectation.

~Kathy Acker

You know I've had work banned.

Culture is that which falsifies.

~Kathy Acker

The only reaction against an unbearable society is equally unbearable nonsense.

~Kathy Acker

It's all up to you, girls. You have to be strong. These are the days of post-women's liberation. You have grown up by now and you have to take care of yourself. No one's going to help you.

~Kathy Acker

On the surface we all act like we all love each other and we're free and easy, and actually we're far more moralistic than any other society I've ever lived in.

~Kathy Acker

Life doesn't exist inside language: too bad for me.

~Kathy Acker

Yeah, I mean, I put work out there for people to use and I'm grateful when you use it.

~Kathy Acker

Dreams are manifestations of identities.

~Kathy Acker

Everytime you read, you are walking among the dead, and, if you are listening, you just might hear prophecies.

~Kathy Acker

Well, fear and homophobia are both pervasive.

i am a limitless series of natural disasters and all of these disasters have been unnaturally repressed.

~Kathy Acker

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You can't change old people. Unlike middle-aged people, they do what they want.

~Kathy Acker

The more rapidly the water moves, the lighter it seems.

~Kathy Acker

But guys such as Allen and William are more supportive than most men.

~Kathy Acker

Whereas the slums in Hamburg are the slums of its sailors, Berlin is a big slum.

~Kathy Acker

I'm what happens after death, which is writing.

~Kathy Acker

Thats what the right-wing is good at: figuring out the left wing.

~Kathy Acker

Murder is a dream because lack is the center of both.

~Kathy Acker

Death is another bar which lies several steps below the normal world. I'm at its threshold, but not yet in it. Its doorway is doorless.

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