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A faint smell of lilac filled the air. There was always lilac in this part of town. Where there were grandmothers, there was always lilac.

~Laura Miller

But there is so much more to do for the city we love... a Dallas with roads as strong as our businesses, parks as beautiful as our children, a downtown as tall as our imagination.

~Laura Miller

Dallas is a great city, and it's worth fighting for.

~Laura Miller

Buying a book is not about obtaining a possession, but about securing a portal.

~Laura Miller

Now it's time to focus on basics for people in our neighborhoods... and real ethics reform at City Hall.

~Laura Miller

In many ways, our campaign this year will be the same as last time: We're still going to focus on fixing up basics and cleaning up ethics at City Hall.

~Laura Miller

The city has to do what any citizen or family does, when you have a dream. You tighten your belt. You sacrifice some luxuries. Above all, you don't waste a dime.

~Laura Miller

The conditions conducive to deep thought have become increasingly rare in our highly mediated lives... Now we live in an attention economy, where the most in-demand commodity is 'eyeballs.

~Laura Miller

The first book we fall in love with shapes us every bit as much as the first person we fall in love with.

~Laura Miller

Dallas is a positive, get-it done city.

~Laura Miller

For while agents and editors often misunderstand their market and sometimes reject good or even great works, they do prevent a vast quantity of truly execrable writing from being published.

~Laura Miller

Tracking the shiny is so much easier than digging for gold!

~Laura Miller

There is so much chaos and dysfunction going on with the federal government that Dallas can't wait any longer for federal help.

~Laura Miller

Writers would be warm, loyal, and otherwise terrific people-if only they'd stop writing.

~Laura Miller

People like to complain about the state of contemporary literature, but I can only assume they don't read it very widely.

~Laura Miller

Adventure ... is what might otherwise be called hardship if it were attempted in a different spirit.

~Laura Miller

The past is a very determined ghost, haunting every chance it gets.

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~Laura Miller

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Perfect love was that kind of love that made no sense but made everything else make sense somehow. It was raw and unscripted, turbulent and slightly unpredictable.

~Laura Miller

Every small town that I had ever been to had had a caboose.

~Laura Miller

Maybe everything really does just have an expiration date--one that you can't see until she tells you she's leaving, and then she's gone.

~Laura Miller

The past will find a way to squeeze into the present-if you let it.

~Laura Miller

It was a completely new feeling for me-like someone had just released a million, tiny butterflies loose in my stomach, and they were feverishly flying up into my head and making me lose my mind.

~Laura Miller

Dreams would always end with you, and then mornings would steal you away with a cruelty that haunted my days.

~Laura Miller

Of all the butterflies that chose to stay, I'm in love with the one that got away.

~Laura Miller

If we weigh the significance of a book by the effect it has on its readers, then the great children's books suddenly turn up very high on the list.

~Laura Miller

There is a perfect someone, even if the road to that someone isn't all that perfect.

~Laura Miller

The closer and more completely you can come to explaining what a work of art means, the less like art it seems.

~Laura Miller

Fire will burn any human body it touches, and starvation will waste it, but stories are not so predictable in their effects.

~Laura Miller

Do the children who prefer books set in the real, ordinary, workaday world ever read as obsessively as those who would much rather be transported into other worlds entirely?

~Laura Miller

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