

# Laurel Nakadate

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I'm interested in that hybrid - the place between the real world and my imagination. There's a friction that's created between the things we imagine and the things that exist.

~Laurel Nakadate

I believe photography is about choosing to live, being brave. Looking is an act of courage. It's terrifying. It's possible to see too much, to witness things that we cannot hold.

~Laurel Nakadate

Sometimes it's good to get mad, sometimes it clarifies where we stand. I think that art has the ability to challenge and push, and that's great. That's better than great... it's necessary.

~Laurel Nakadate

I would always say I'm doing a video project. About dancing or birthday parties. Of course, the video becomes more than that. It goes deeper than that. But it's not a lie. It's a starting point.

~Laurel Nakadate

I'm always afraid going into strange places, but I also choose carefully and listen to my instincts. These were men I could trust. I'm a pretty good judge of crazy versus sad. I prefer sad.

~Laurel Nakadate

I wanted to tell stories that moved. Nothing stays the same, and that's why photography is important. The world flickers and changes, and that's why video is important.

~Laurel Nakadate

What I love about photography is that nothing is really as it seems.

~Laurel Nakadate

It's always a problem - you've got to figure out a place to put your body.

You've got to wake up in the morning and deal with the fact that you have this body to lug around.

~Laurel Nakadate

Death is sad, yes, but there are some great laughs you can find there.

~Laurel Nakadate

I find some comfort in running through the worst-case scenario in my mind and seeing how it's all going to go down.

~Laurel Nakadate

The thing about death is that it's embarrassing. No one wants to focus on it for very long. We're happy to talk about sex all day long but no one wants to talk about the moment where it all ends.

~Laurel Nakadate

Things might not get better but they might not get worse. There's something sort of beautiful about that.

~Laurel Nakadate

In general, I wait to be approached. I want to be the one who's hunted, I want to be the one who people take interest in.

~Laurel Nakadate

I think it's a really good thing to put yourself in a situation where you feel really uncomfortable because I think things can come out of that discomfort.

~Laurel Nakadate

I've always seen my work as trying to make the connection with men who no one really spends time with.

~Laurel Nakadate

People want movies to be one thing or another; they want it be fact or

fiction.

~Laurel Nakadate

Photography has saved my life, over and over again.

~Laurel Nakadate

I believe that I am some sort of fiction writer and I'm using myself in my work because I'm the person I'm most convenient to use!

~Laurel Nakadate

Tenderness and lust are just immature little brothers of love. Yes of course it was lust... but I'm not sure how evolved or resolved that lust was.

~Laurel Nakadate

Every time I hear that somebody died I think of their body, on a steel table in a morgue somewhere. I think of how they can do nothing about it.

~Laurel Nakadate

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