

Layne Staley

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I guess I can go anywhere I want. If only I knew where to go.

~Layne Staley

Whatever dramas are going on in my life, I always find that place inside my head where I see myself as the cleanest, tallest, strongest, wisest person that I can be.

~Layne Staley

I've always looked for the perfect life to step into. I've taken all the paths to get where I wanted. But no matter where I go, I still come home me.

~Layne Staley

My bad habits aren't my title. My strengths and my talent are my title.

~Layne Staley

You my friend, I will defend, and if we change well, I love you anyway.

~Layne Staley

I'm dumbfounded by me all the time. Wow! What a.... thrill.....and a joy

~Layne Staley

If I can't be my own, I'd feel better dead

~Layne Staley

Music is the doorway that has led me to drawing, photography, and writing.

~Layne Staley

We try to be real nice and friendly to people, but sometimes they take advantage of that.

~Layne Staley

Drugs are not the way to the light. They won't lead to a fairy-tale life, they lead to suffering.

~Layne Staley

My bed isn't made, I'm tired, I haven't slept well for two weeks. I haven't been laid in a month. I don't have a girlfriend. I have a warrant for my arrest.

~Layne Staley

The songs are about things that we were thinking and we wrote 'em down, and when you listen to 'em, whatever you think it's about... THAT'S what it's about!

~Layne Staley

I'd like to fly, but my wings have been so denied.

~Layne Staley

I saw all the suffering that Kurt Cobain went through. I saw this real vibrant person turn into a real shy, timid, withdrawn person.

~Layne Staley

What do you mean, I'm a wild front man! I'm jumping all over, I do the dance moves.

~Layne Staley

When everyone goes home, you're stuck with yourself.

~Layne Staley

Sure God's all powerful, but does he have lips?

~Layne Staley

I don't think any drug that can cause brain damage, failing kidneys, hardening arteries, pain, and suffering should be made available.

~Layne Staley

It's just writing about things, feelings, not that we're dark or

depressed...just as much as anyone else is.

~Layne Staley

Drugs will have a huge effect on my work for the rest of my life, whether I'm using or not.

~Layne Staley

I don't take part in it the way I used to-the bimbos, the free beers, free drugs, all that. That's still there if you want it, but I don't really seek that out any more.

~Layne Staley

People have a right to ask questions and dig deep when you're hurting people and things around you.

~Layne Staley

Our perception of songs that we've written... the meaning changes from day to day... to whatever stage we're at in our life and careers.

~Layne Staley

Los Angeles, I don't like that town. Too decadent, and it's slimy.

~Layne Staley

I wish I could just hug you all, but I'm not gonna.

~Layne Staley

I found out through the Internet that I have AIDS. I learned that I was dead. Where else would I find these things?

~Layne Staley

I haven't read anything but regurgitated rumors. Nothing new, and nothing true.

~Layne Staley

There were a lot of drugs. We kinda just passed the time that way. For a couple of years we were all doin' anything we could get our hands on.

~Layne Staley

At home I'm just a guy who has interests that extend far beyond music.

~Layne Staley

It was all about music, about getting your friends to come and see you play. I don't see that same intimacy happening very much today.

~Layne Staley

There's no huge, deep message in any of the songs. We recorded a few months of being human.

~Layne Staley

Being me is no different than being most anyone else, I guess.

~Layne Staley

Andrew Wood's death changed things for a few weeks. I probably got even heavier into drugs after that.

~Layne Staley

One of the first bands to break out of Seattle was Heart.

~Layne Staley

There are lasting consequences for using drugs. I'll still be paying for my prior use.

~Layne Staley

Every article I see is dope this, junkie that, whiskey this - that ain't my title.

~Layne Staley

We survived a Slayer crowd every night for about 50 days and thought we could do about anything after that.

~Layne Staley

I'm not doing well. Don't try to talk about this to my sister Liz. She will know it sooner or later.

~Layne Staley

Kurt and I weren't the closest of friends, but I knew him well enough to be devastated by his death. For such a quiet person, he was so excited about having a child.

~Layne Staley

We write about ourselves because we know about ourselves.

~Layne Staley

Music is the career I'm lucky enough to get paid for, but I have other desires and passions.

~Layne Staley

I was in a band when I was 15. We were a glam band. Then I couldn't afford to buy makeup. At the time that was the thing.

~Layne Staley

I don't do much else but stay in my hotel room.

~Layne Staley

I started out when I was about 12, playing drums. I started singing when I was about 15.

~Layne Staley

We started this band as kids, and as time has gone on, we've grown and are learning to accommodate each others' differences.

~Layne Staley

A lot of power-pop comes out of LA, a lot of speed metal comes out of New York.

~Layne Staley

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