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I performed in Sydney some years ago for the Sydney Festival and I am just so pleased to be returning to the wonderful Sydney Opera House and also performing in Melbourne for the first time.

~Lesley Garrett

I would just like to say that opera is no longer about fat people in breastplates shattering wine glasses.

~Lesley Garrett

That was when I realised that music is the most profound, magical form of communication there is.

~Lesley Garrett

I do hope that our spring will be starting shortly and we will all be able to enjoy some sunshine again.

~Lesley Garrett

Opera is credible drama now, and it costs less than going to a football match. What have you got to lose?

~Lesley Garrett

The musical heritage of Yorkshire is deep and wide.

~Lesley Garrett

To tell you the truth, I never listen to opera at home.

~Lesley Garrett

I'm engaging my diaphragm as I'm speaking to you right now.

~Lesley Garrett

There are a lot of unseen elements to having a successful singing career.

~Lesley Garrett

It worries me that young singers think you can shortcut the training and go straight to fame and fortune, and programmes like Pop Idol have encouraged that.

~Lesley Garrett

I do a lot of vocal hygiene.

~Lesley Garrett

Music is there to access those dark emotional corners that we don't normally get too close to.

~Lesley Garrett

And woven into the fabric of this harsh existence was music.

~Lesley Garrett

I don't just come from a musical family, but from a musical community. ~Lesley Garrett

I'm very pro presenting the best music I can to the widest audience possible.

~Lesley Garrett

Nobody inspired me more than Julie Andrews, who is a classically trained soprano herself.

~Lesley Garrett

I also have to support my speaking voice by sitting in a way that engages the diaphragm in the way I would for singing.

~Lesley Garrett

Singing is an arduous business and it needs sacrifices.

~Lesley Garrett

I don't think I have ever met a single person who isn't moved by music

#### of some kind.

~Lesley Garrett

I saw The Sound of Music when I was 10 and thought that it was the most beautiful singing I had ever heard.

~Lesley Garrett

My mum used to say to me, 'Spit on yer 'ands and take a fresh 'old.' Keep going even if you have setbacks.

~Lesley Garrett

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