

Linda Ronstadt

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The essential elements of singing are voice, musicianship, and story. It is the rare artist that has all three in abundance.

~Linda Ronstadt

The thing you have to be prepared for is that other people don't always dream your dream.

~Linda Ronstadt

The only reason to be with somebody is that they make you a better person and you make them a better person.

~Linda Ronstadt

Somewhere out there, beneath the pale moonlight, someone's thinking of me and loving me tonight.

~Linda Ronstadt

Everywhere you go, there's a soundtrack. You can't really quite hear it. It's just a little out of the range of hearing.

~Linda Ronstadt

When the night wind starts to sing a lonesome lullaby, it helps to think we're sleeping underneath the same big sky.

~Linda Ronstadt

Even though I know how very far apart we are, it helps to think we might be wishing underneath the same bright star.

~Linda Ronstadt

Ninety-nine percent of singing is listening and hearing, and so then 1 percent of it is singing.

~Linda Ronstadt

I think musicians are always supportive of each other because they want the groove to keep going on. They just basically want to play

music.

~Linda Ronstadt

I think there's mind in nature. There's a power in nature, and there's a universal power that you'd better not ignore.

~Linda Ronstadt

I can't sing half as well as Claudia Lennear. Hats off to her, but somehow, things happened for me.

~Linda Ronstadt

Art is for healing ourselves, and everybody needs their own personal art to heal up their problems.

~Linda Ronstadt

The greatest sin is carelessness.

~Linda Ronstadt

Music should be an elective experience. You should go, "I'm going to sit down and listen to some Beethoven, by God," and then you get to hear it.

~Linda Ronstadt

I never thought I'd write, because I'd never written anything in my whole life.

~Linda Ronstadt

We were raised with the idea that we had limitless chances and we got very shocked to learn that wasn't the case.

~Linda Ronstadt

I love sex as much as I love music, and I think it's as hard to do.

~Linda Ronstadt

I dont think you can look for love. All you can do is get yourself in a situation where you dont discourage something that may be rather nice.

~Linda Ronstadt

There should not be a question of legal or illegal immigration. People came and immigrated to this country from the time of the Indians. No ones illegal. They should just be able to come.

~Linda Ronstadt

The constant fear of a performer is to become what is reflected back at you.

~Linda Ronstadt

In committing to artistic growth, you have to refine your skills to support your instincts.

~Linda Ronstadt

Life's full of loss, who knows the cost, living in the memory of the love that never was.

~Linda Ronstadt

Don't know much, but I know I love you.

~Linda Ronstadt

Being a celebrity made me so uncomfortable that I would have preferred standing behind the amplifiers.

~Linda Ronstadt

Marijuana has a lot of very good medical uses, and I truly believe it should be legal, but for just recreational use it wasn't my drug. I didn't like it.

~Linda Ronstadt

Rampant eclecticism is my middle name.

~Linda Ronstadt

I'm a chameleon. I can change my voice a lot. I always was able to, because in my family's music I was a harmony singer, and harmony singing is really hard.

~Linda Ronstadt

I wish I had as much in bed as I get in the newspapers.

~Linda Ronstadt

Being an entertainer, especially in times like these, is really a public service.

~Linda Ronstadt

There are a lot of aspiring singers who are not paid attention to because they don't look like a fashion model.

~Linda Ronstadt

I never went to the Beatles' concerts to scream. I never screamed at anybody's show. I was on my feet with the entire, all of the crowned heads of Motown, and we were shrieking our guts out.

~Linda Ronstadt

You and I, travel to the beat of a different drum, can't you tell by the way I run, every time you make eyes at me.

~Linda Ronstadt

I think the zenith of popular songwriting to the United States of America was that period that started in the '20s and went into the '50s. It was the period of the great American standard song.

~Linda Ronstadt

American radio from the '30s through the '60s was just fabulous. There

was such a diversity.

~Linda Ronstadt

My feeling is that the beaches should belong to everybody. Nobody should be able to build anything. It causes erosion. It's a bad thing altogether.

~Linda Ronstadt

If you don't have story to tell the public at large - you have to be able to sort of go listen.

~Linda Ronstadt

Music isn't just for professionals. We delegate all of our music and our dancing and our art to professionals. It's silly. We should be doing our own dancing and drawing.

~Linda Ronstadt

My feeling about school was that it interfered with my reading.

~Linda Ronstadt

I was never bored because I always had a book. So I had a doorway into another world or another universe. It was great.

~Linda Ronstadt

Music is a work in progress. On a record, it gets frozen in time. And it's oddly unnatural.

~Linda Ronstadt

I think if you do what's in your heart - Joseph Campbell always says you have to follow your bliss, and if you do, doors open where you didn't even realize there were doors.

~Linda Ronstadt

I only notice the clothes I'm wearing.

~Linda Ronstadt

What my true addiction is is reading. I love to read. If I'd get too loaded, I couldn't remember the sentence I just read.

~Linda Ronstadt

The government has to spend money during a recession, because their spending is our earning.

~Linda Ronstadt

A lot of singers that I've heard that I may not like their sensibility, but I see that they're entitled to whatever they get. People don't get there without talent, they really don't.

~Linda Ronstadt

When I was taking arithmetic in the first grade I said to myself, "I'm going to be a singer. I don't have to worry about numbers." I didn't think I was going to be famous or a star.

~Linda Ronstadt

I just thought that I was going to get to sing for a living and I wouldn't have to go to work in the department store or whatever else you did if you were a woman in those days.

~Linda Ronstadt

People have often written about me, that I did this for this reason and that for that reason, and they're usually 98 percent wrong.

~Linda Ronstadt

Cocaine made people deaf, it made people dead and it made people real obnoxious.

~Linda Ronstadt

What I think is the universal, wonderful thing about music, is that it's

very inclusive.

~Linda Ronstadt

I can sing better after shooting smack in both arms than after eating too much.

~Linda Ronstadt

I think that Frank Sinatra was maybe the greatest pop singer.

~Linda Ronstadt

I believe in the empirical wisdom of science, just to start with, so I hope that there might be some treatment out there that might be helpful.

~Linda Ronstadt

I think if the United States gave anything to culture at large in the 20th century, the most important contribution made was the popular song.

~Linda Ronstadt

Up until about a hundred years ago, the world was dark at night. You got to have a real night so you could sleep.

~Linda Ronstadt

the relentless touring and endless repetition of the same songs over and over again promoted a creeping awareness that my music had begun to sound like my washing machine.

~Linda Ronstadt

I've got this weird body chemistry that I don't like to get high. I'm not going to say I never tried drugs. I tried most everything. I didn't try injectables. But I didn't like it.

~Linda Ronstadt

Time washes clean, love's wounds unseen.

~Linda Ronstadt

When you sing the same song over and over and over again, it stops meaning what it originally meant to you. It starts sounding like white noise, or my washing machine.

~Linda Ronstadt

So goodbye, I'll be leaving, I see no sense in this crying and grieving. We'll both live a lot longer, if you live without me.

~Linda Ronstadt

I thought everybody could sing, because everybody in my family could.

~Linda Ronstadt

Story is what's most important.

~Linda Ronstadt

We've got blue light, we've got all this light flooding our bedrooms and things blinking, and you can't get a decent night's sleep.

~Linda Ronstadt

Judy Henske, who was the then reigning queen of folk music, said to me at The Troubadour, 'Honey, in this town there are four sexes. Men, women, homosexuals, and girl singers.'

~Linda Ronstadt

Love will abide, take things in stride.

~Linda Ronstadt

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