

# Lori Lansens

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The strangest thing about strange things is that they're only strange when you hear about them or think about them later, but never when you're living them.

~Lori Lansens

I hum some secret place into being, thinking of this other me, the one that only I can see, a girl called She, who is not We, a girl who I will never be.

~Lori Lansens

Write,' she said, 'as if you'll never be read. That way you'll be sure to tell the truth.

~Lori Lansens

I'm not alone in having obese people in my circle and in my family. I have loved morbidly obese people, and I don't approach obesity with revulsion or judgment but with empathy and compassion.

~Lori Lansens

Art isn't a product. It's an experience

~Lori Lansens

The city, no matter how small, is corrupt and unrepentant, while the sun shines brighter in the country, making people more wholesome.

~Lori Lansens

the only thing left to do is love

~Lori Lansens

How cruel it must be for a man to live past his soul.

~Lori Lansens

Winning the lottery is winning the lottery. It's highly unlikely and very unusual.

~Lori Lansens

When you stand outside, you look around and find that the people you're with live on the fringes.

~Lori Lansens

The drugstore is a wonderful place to see all manner of ailments.

~Lori Lansens

We're seeing a decline in religion in North America but, I hope, a rise in individual spirituality. Whatever that means to people.

~Lori Lansens

Aunt Lovey used to tell me that if I wanted to be a writer, I needed a writer's voice. 'Read,' she'd say, 'and if you have a writer's voice, one day it will shout out, 'I can do that too!'

~Lori Lansens

If you don't like something about yourself, change it. If you're OK with it, you gotta own it. There's nothing in between.

~Lori Lansens

Because I live in California now, I find my musings really being centered in this world.

~Lori Lansens

I have had, like most women, a lifelong preoccupation with my weight. My first published short story was a love story between an elderly man and a very young morbidly obese woman.

~Lori Lansens

When I grew up, all of our news, weather, and sports came from America. The people where I grew up rooted for American teams as opposed to Canadian teams.

~Lori Lansens

When we talk about God, I think what most of us mean is some greater thing, some higher power that can help us access our own strength or give us strength.

~Lori Lansens

Evidence tells that black and Latina woman are more accepting of curves, and that's a good thing.

~Lori Lansens

The world's waistlines are expanding, but it's an epidemic of a larger issue in terms of our bounty having become our burden.

~Lori Lansens

If heaven is tolerant and writers are allowed (bunch of liars though they are), I wonder if they gather for coffee to ponder the prose they should have written instead.

~Lori Lansens

What is it about sadness that can be so fulfilling?

~Lori Lansens

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