

Louis Sullivan Quotes

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Every building is like a person. Single and unrepeatable.

~Louis Sullivan

A proper building grows naturally, logically, and poetically out of all its conditions.

~Louis Sullivan

To teach is to touch the heart and impel it to action.

~Louis Sullivan

Man shall find his anchorage in self-recognition.

~Louis Sullivan

Form ever follows function.

~Louis Sullivan

How strange it seems that education, in practice, so often means suppression: that instead of leading the mind outward to the light of day it crowds things in upon it that darken and weary it.

~Louis Sullivan

But the building's identity resided in the ornament.

~Louis Sullivan

Our architecture reflects truly as a mirror.

~Louis Sullivan

Once you learn to look at architecture not merely as an art more or less well or more or less badly done, but as a social manifestation, the critical eye becomes clairvoyant.

~Louis Sullivan

Words are most malignant, the most treacherous possession of mankind. They are saturated with the sorrows of all time.

~Louis Sullivan

What are books but folly, and what is an education but an arrant hypocrisy, and what is art but a curse when they touch not the heart and impel it not to action?

~Louis Sullivan

Implicit in true freedom of spirit lies a proud and virile will. Such glorious power of free will to choose, envisages beneficent social responsibility as manifest and welcome.

~Louis Sullivan

It was the spirit animating the mass and flowing from it, and it expressed the individuality of the building.

~Louis Sullivan

Alas, the world has never known a sound social fabric, a fabric sound and clean to the core and kindly. For it has ever turned its back on Man.

~Louis Sullivan

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