

Luigi Pirandello

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I present myself to you in a form suitable to the relationship I wish to achieve with you.

~Luigi Pirandello

Life is full of strange absurdities, which, strangely enough, do not even need to appear plausible, since they are true.

~Luigi Pirandello

Whatever is a reality today, whatever you touch and believe in and that seems real for you today, is going to be - like the reality of yesterday - an illusion tomorrow.

~Luigi Pirandello

All I'm saying is that you should show some respect for what other people see with their eyes and feel with their fingers, even though it be the exact opposite.

~Luigi Pirandello

It is so. When YOU think so

~Luigi Pirandello

If we have no other reality beyond the illusion, you too must not count overmuch on your reality as you feel it today, since, like that of yesterday, it may prove an illusion for you tomorrow.

~Luigi Pirandello

In bed my real love has always been the sleep that rescued me by allowing me to dream.

~Luigi Pirandello

My opinion is a view I hold until... well, until I find something that changes it.

~Luigi Pirandello

If only we could see in advance all the harm that can come from the good we think we are doing.

~Luigi Pirandello

Logic is one thing, the human animal another. You can quite easily propose a logical solution to something and at the same time hope in your heart of hearts it won't work out.

~Luigi Pirandello

One cannot choose what he writes - one can only choose to face it.

~Luigi Pirandello

Nature uses human imagination to lift her work of creation to even higher levels.

~Luigi Pirandello

It is the hardest thing to close the open hand of someone you love.

~Luigi Pirandello

We're like so many puppets hung on the wall, waiting for someone to come and move us or make us talk.

~Luigi Pirandello

We ride through life on the beast within us. Beat the animal, but you can't make it think.

~Luigi Pirandello

When you say you are in love with humanity, you are well satisfied with yourself.

~Luigi Pirandello

There is someone who is living my life. And I know nothing about him.

~Luigi Pirandello

Life is little more than a loan shark: It exacts a very high rate of interest for the few pleasures it concedes

~Luigi Pirandello

Refusing to have an opinion is a way of having one, isn't it?

~Luigi Pirandello

Whoever has the luck to be born a character can laugh even at death. Because a character will never die! A man will die, a writer, the instrument of creation: but what he has created will never die!

~Luigi Pirandello

A fact is like a sack which won't stand up if it's empty. In order that it may stand up, one has to put into it the reason and sentiment which caused it to exist.

~Luigi Pirandello

Pretending is a virtue. If you can't pretend, you can't be king.

~Luigi Pirandello

As soon as one is born, one starts dying.

~Luigi Pirandello

The man, the writer, the instrument of the creation will die, but his creation does not die.

~Luigi Pirandello

Anyone can be heroic from time to time, but a gentleman is something you have to be all the time.

~Luigi Pirandello

The secret of living is to find a pivot, the pivot of a concept on which you can make your stand.

~Luigi Pirandello

When [man] is happy he takes his happiness as it comes and doesn't analyze it, just as if happiness were his right.

~Luigi Pirandello

Personally, I don't give a rap for documents; for the truth in my eyes is not in them but in the mind.

~Luigi Pirandello

The more arms and legs [children] we have, the richer we are.

~Luigi Pirandello

Buffoons, buffoons! One can play any tune on them!

~Luigi Pirandello

None of us can estimate what we do when we do it from instinct.

~Luigi Pirandello

Each of us, face to face with other men, is clothed with some sort of dignity, but we know only too well all the unspeakable things that go on in the heart.

~Luigi Pirandello

Six Characters in Search of an Author.

~Luigi Pirandello

When the characters are really alive before their author, the latter does nothing but follow them in their action, in their words, in the situations which they suggest to him.

~Luigi Pirandello

Women are like dreams, they are never the way you would like to have them.

~Luigi Pirandello

The facts are to blame, my friend. We are all imprisoned by facts: I was born, I exist.

~Luigi Pirandello

Woe to him who doesn't know how to wear his mask, be he king or pope!

~Luigi Pirandello

It is much easier to be a hero than a gentleman.

~Luigi Pirandello

Each of us when he appears before his fellows is clothed in a certain dignity. But every man knows what unconfessable things pass within the secrecy of his own heart.

~Luigi Pirandello

Not one of us can lie or pretend. We're all fixed in good faith in a certain concept of ourselves.

~Luigi Pirandello

Here is a piece of earth. If you stand staring at it and doing nothing, what does the earth yield? Nothing. Just like a woman.

~Luigi Pirandello

I am an "unrealized" character, dramatically speaking.

~Luigi Pirandello

Blind yourself, for I am blind.

~Luigi Pirandello

Phantoms in general are nothing more than trifling disorders of the spirit; images we cannot contain within the bounds of sleep.

~Luigi Pirandello

We think we understand each other, but we never really do.

~Luigi Pirandello

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