

Marc Almond

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Soho has got to be at its centre. It's got such a history for rock, pop, poetry, jazz, writers, all those things, and I think it should be valued as such, and protected as this centre for bohemia.

~Marc Almond

People come from all over the world to see this little place they've seen in movies and read about in history books: Soho.

~Marc Almond

I think the older I get the more creative I get, I don't have the distractions that I had when I was younger.

~Marc Almond

I think in the past I think I probably was a little too diverse, probably went from one spectrum to the complete opposite and confusing people.

~Marc Almond

I don't enjoy being a celebrity, I don't want any part of that or any part of that fame for fame... i'd actually rather die than be a celebrity slime!!!

~Marc Almond

As long as ugly people are not on TV, you should only ever have interesting people on TV.

~Marc Almond

I was a magnet for people who want to take advantage of people like me, who think they're part of this life but they're not.

~Marc Almond

I think there's always been singers like that and i've done my fair share of cheese as well.

~Marc Almond

My next record I really just want it to be a collection of great songs, classic songs in a way.

~Marc Almond

We just kind saw the images and knew the cliches, so to have the opportunity to go there and learn something about Russian music and about Russian people and to see things apart from being a tourist.

~Marc Almond

That's the way I work and one day I won't have the energy to do it, so I think it's always good to make the most of your life and living as much as possible.

~Marc Almond

Knowing what I knew about Russia, as much as I loved the music and was fascinated by the songs and the whole idea of it, I knew it would be a very lengthy and frustrating process.

~Marc Almond

I don't really have anything against Will Young or Gareth Gates.

~Marc Almond

I'm not one of these people who thinks everything in the past is great and everything modern is terrible. But I do think cities should be a mix of old things and new things.

~Marc Almond

I made a creativity out of that messiness.

~Marc Almond

A lot of youth today have become very narrow and conservative in a way, whereas we in the older generation are kind of living it.

~Marc Almond

Sometimes I ask myself, "Should I be out in a club?" But it's about realising I don't need to be always chasing after being who I was 20 or 30 years ago.

~Marc Almond

I'm often prone to self-doubt about everything I do.

~Marc Almond

When people talk about gender-benders and bracket me with George, I always think I'm not like that. I had more of a rock edge, mixed with the 80s electro.

~Marc Almond

I've always been the sort of person who immerses myself in things, and eventually you become part of that life.

~Marc Almond

People always go on about sleaze, but I think it's only a small part of what I write about.

~Marc Almond

I have a long history with Soho: even when I was at art college, I came down to Soho to work in the summer.

~Marc Almond

I can imagine moving out to the seaside at some point. I like Brighton, my sister lives there. I'm a seaside boy and whenever I go there, I find myself writing songs about it.

~Marc Almond

I became the magnet for a lot of scary aggression. Cos it's scary Up North!

~Marc Almond

These days i tend to use one project I do as a kind of offshoot to the next.

~Marc Almond

I love this idea of shape-shifting and changing when you put on clothes, and turn into somebody else.

~Marc Almond

The weird thing was that Soft Cell was supposed to have come and gone before I started the album.

~Marc Almond

I thought, I'm in my late 50s now, am I ever gonna get the chance to do another album again?

~Marc Almond

Russia can be quite a dangerous place sometimes, but I never think about it.

~Marc Almond

Frank Sinatra said this great thing, that singing isn't about singing in tune, or great technical singing. It's about making people believe in the story you're telling.

~Marc Almond

Don't sing a song you can't carry off, like some 16-year-old kid singing 'My Way'. That song's not for you. You haven't lived that.

~Marc Almond

So often, the singer is the sound of the record. People think they can cover anything, but the whole voice is the thing that's unrepeatable.

~Marc Almond

Sometimes, with autobiographies, it turns into a bit of score-settling.

And looking back, I don't feel the way I did then, and you kind of grow up and let it go behind you.

~Marc Almond

I was very much a mess, as a person. I'd come from a very turbulent teenage life, with parents who had broken up in a very bad way, and a lot of illness at school.

~Marc Almond

I thought, I might not look my best, I've forgotten half the words to my songs and I'm suffering from post-traumatic stress, but I've just got to get out there and do it.

~Marc Almond

I've got so much I want to do, and not a lot of time to do it in. People say to me, "You really shouldn't do so many records", because it actually harms your career.

~Marc Almond

I liked the idea of writing a song saying I'm happy with who I am, and I don't mind if people think I'm some old git.

~Marc Almond

Maybe I was a bit harsh on some people. But I was harshest on myself, really.

~Marc Almond

I'm always aware of mortality.

~Marc Almond

You can't keep pursuing pop success, and chasing the past.

~Marc Almond

I can't read music and I'm crap at learning lyrics. Especially since the

accident I have memory problems. I can't remember words, names, places.

~Marc Almond

I'm the most indecisive person in the world. I'll do three versions of a song, then think, "Is the demo better?"

~Marc Almond

I don't care much about success or anything like that. I've only ever wanted life to be an adventure.

~Marc Almond

I like situations that force me to rethink things.

~Marc Almond

If you were born by the sea, there's always a magnet that draws you back there.

~Marc Almond

Albums, with me, have never had an easy birth. Especially when all the songs are self-written songs.

~Marc Almond

There's no such thing as 'I can't do it'.

~Marc Almond

I think it's really interesting how they throw the world music samples in there. I often wonder what it would be like to do something like that, but use my lyrics and my kind of style.

~Marc Almond

That's what I like to do, I like to make songs.

~Marc Almond

I'm always more interested in trying things that will push me, and I don't care if I fall flat on my face doing it.

~Marc Almond

Russians have a new freedom, but as long as they don't express that freedom on a public platform.

~Marc Almond

I've always loved the rock & roll element to live shows, because whatever else I do, I'm basically a rock/pop performer, and that's what I like.

~Marc Almond

As soon as one project is finished I like to go straight on to something else.

~Marc Almond

I'd always wanted to write a song about a leather jacket and how wearing it makes you feel. I love leather jackets, and I've got a big collection of them.

~Marc Almond

I mean whatever I do it's important that I put my stamp on it and keep it in my world, whether I'm doing a dance track or something like the Russian album for example.

~Marc Almond

It's a shame in a way that people come and go with one album.

~Marc Almond

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