

Max Eastman

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Dogs laugh, but they laugh with their tails.

~Max Eastman

A smile is the universal welcome.

~Max Eastman

It is the ability to take a joke, not make one, that proves you have a sense of humor.

~Max Eastman

Living well is the best revenge. If opportunity doesn't knock, build a door.

~Max Eastman

People who demand neutrality in any situation are usually not neutral but in favor of the status quo.

~Max Eastman

The worst enemy of human hope is not brute facts, but men of brains who will not face them.

~Max Eastman

The real guarantee of freedom is an equilibrium of social forces in conflict, not the triumph of any one force.

~Max Eastman

A poet in history is divine, but a poet in the next room is a joke

~Max Eastman

A liberal mind is a mind that is able to imagine itself believing anything.

~Max Eastman

Laughter puts your brain, your central nervous system and your whole being into a state of free play.

~Max Eastman

Patriotism is one of the unalterable facts of man's nature. It is a virtue if you like it, and a vice if you don't like it.

~Max Eastman

Humor is the instinct for taking pain playfully.

~Max Eastman

Emotion is the surest arbiter of a poetic choice, and it is the priest of all supreme unions in the mind

~Max Eastman

Classic art was the art of necessity: modern romantic art bears the stamp of caprice and chance.

~Max Eastman

Laughter is, after speech, the chief thing that holds society together.

~Max Eastman

I don't know why it is we are in such a hurry to get up when we fall down. You might think we would lie there and rest for a while.

~Max Eastman

Robert Benchley has a style that is weak and lies down frequently to rest.

~Max Eastman

The defining function of the artist is to cherish consciousness.

~Max Eastman

There is something self-defeating in the too-conscious pursuit of pleasure.

~Max Eastman

He [P.G.Wodehouse] is I believe, the only man living who speaks with equal fluency the American and English languages.

~Max Eastman

Humor is a kind of emotional chaos told about calmly and quietly in retrospect. There is always a laugh in the utterly familiar.

~Max Eastman

There is truth in the high opinion that in so far as a man conforms, he ceases to exist.

~Max Eastman

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