

# Mika

## Quotes

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Strangely, I feel that I become increasingly reclusive in my normal life and more open and candid in my music.

~Mika

I make mistakes. I say stupid things. I do idiotic things. And, quite frankly, I'm proud of them. Why not make mistakes?

~Mika

Sometimes I dress like what I want for lunch, because all I can think about is having a tuna sandwich.

~Mika

I was brought up in many different cultures, moving around all the time, and I find my identity in my songs. I project the identity I want to have throughout the songs that I write.

~Mika

When you're not part of a club, you have to find another way of surviving.

~Mika

I have opinions on everything. I'm a stubborn old mule. The biggest problem is keeping my mouth shut.

~Mika

The stage is my territory, my boxing ring. That's where I'm free.

~Mika

I say I have a midlife crisis every time I start and finish a record.

~Mika

The best way to make the most serious point in the world is to be as unserious as possible.

~Mika

I was always told I was ugly. I still think I am ugly. I know I've got an odd face and you can't tell me otherwise.

~Mika

I think my music generally transcends a lot of genres.

~Mika

I'm not interested in what they have to say. I'm only interested in people that are interested in me for the right reasons.

~Mika

My first record was about childhood. There were a lot of nursery rhyme and fairytale references; it was all about being naive.

~Mika

In fact, no one has ever really wanted to go on a date with me.

~Mika

Melody is disarming. It's anarchic!

~Mika

The one thing about me is that I don't even know where I'll end up, and I don't know what I'll be doing but I know that I'll never really stop.

~Mika

I was a show-off as a kid. I was wearing bow ties and matching coloured trousers.

~Mika

I can't just listen to music walking down the street unless I have a reason to. I can't just listen to music as a piece of junk in the background. It drives me insane.

~Mika

Did you know, I'm still in love with this blue sky until forever and ever, eternally.

~Mika

Live your life until love is found Or love's gonna get you down

~Mika

I was quite the quiet teenager. I was a bit of a loner, a little bit of an outsider.

~Mika

Mixed reactions? Sure, I get them all the time. I'm a Marmite artist.

~Mika

I kinda flirt with everything and everyone, no matter if it's a tree or a coffee cup. I can't resist.

~Mika

In the past, it weighed on me because nobody in my family is gay. I had no role models so I had to find my own way.

~Mika

I'm always calling my doctor because I'm constantly injuring myself while on the road, like tearing a ligament, blasting my ears or losing my voice. Plus, I'm a total hypochondriac.

~Mika

So foolish is the heart of man that he ever puts his hope in the future, learning nothing from his past errors and fancying that tomorrow must be better than today.

~Mika

Never trust a man in red trousers

~Mika

They say shyness is a form of egotism, and you are only shy because you care too much about what people think of you. And maybe its true, maybe I am just an egotist.

~Mika

No one knows what I am and really, I wonder if I do, at the end of the day.

~Mika

My real name is Mica, spelled with a C. My dad is called Michael. He wanted me to be called Michael but my mother said over her dead body. She wasn't into the whole junior thing.

~Mika

I'm inspired by watching and listening to people. For example, my first novel, *The Scale*, came to life after I overheard two women discussing their struggle with their weight at the gym.

~Mika

You never know which gig is going to be your last.

~Mika

Perhaps self-esteem is just the sum of self-love and self-confidence. People with high self-esteem know they deserve a good life and that they can get almost everything they focus on!

~Mika

Zen is just a lifestyle, your everyday life. It is doing your best at your job, relationships, health, hobbies, and other daily activities!

~Mika

I'm not a great dancer. I know I'm not. But I know that I can move. I can throw shapes, just not in the right order.

~Mika

Basically, it is your self-esteem that shapes the choice of your job, female, friends, and how you take care of yourself (health/hygiene/hobby's)!

~Mika

If I really like the smell of something - a piece of tar or my goddaughter's plastic doll - I put a tiny piece in a bottle with a label. I keep them in a fridge in my bathroom.

~Mika

A decision once taken brings peace to a man's mind and eases his soul.

~Mika

Well, I have to say, most of my clothes are designed and made by my mother.

~Mika

Oh, I'm quite harmless in real life.

~Mika

So much is man the slave of his heart that he will shut his eyes to what does not please him and believe all that he hopes.

~Mika

A stylist might say you look amazing in anything. Your family will always tell you if you look a complete idiot.

~Mika

Everything I write is about me.

~Mika

I completely understand the responsibility I have in continuing the sonic style that I have created.

~Mika

Most of the people who write pop music were outsiders at some time in their life.

~Mika

I really want people to know me, to find out about me, and if they really like me, to stick with me.

~Mika

Most people's jobs are rooted in reality.

~Mika

I wish I had more guts when I was younger because then I would've said things to people's faces instead of just running away all the time.

~Mika

I write songs about fat girls and about men who run off to Mexico.

~Mika

I'm not creating an enigma or leaving mystery, I'm just respecting myself enough as an artist to give myself room to grow and not to be devoured all in one go.

~Mika

I write songs to turn myself into something else. And then I become that, and I want to become something else.

~Mika

I'd never compare myself to Freddie Mercury because I look up to him far too much. As an artist, not necessarily as a person.

~Mika

I'm not necessarily that big of a clubbing junkie, but I really like dance

music as a genre.

~Mika

I wanted to make an unashamed pop record. I became obsessed with Disney soundtracks from the '50s, so I decided to make my own.

~Mika

To me, being a classical snob in the highest possible way and being an indie snob is just as bad!

~Mika

Part of me sees myself as talented, and the other part sees me as strange. Ideas get stuck in your head and nothing changes them. Not even fame.

~Mika

When you come from nowhere, I am fully aware of the fact that people have to compare you to other artists to kind of place you.

~Mika

I'm a big illustration and comic book fan. In my eyes, comic books and illustration are the same kind of art forms.

~Mika

I certainly don't follow fashion. I think fashion, as far as the industry and the whole world that surrounds it, is quite vile, and I'm repelled by it.

~Mika

I am totally unapologetic about pop music.

~Mika

We all have to be dishes on a plate eventually, with the way we are marketed, but I have no intention of being a cheap Chinese all-you-can-eat buffet.



~Mika

New York is a bit of a dangerous place to me because you often leave in a blur.

~Mika

I'm fascinated by religion, but I'm not particularly religious.

~Mika

My relationship with my mother is not cute.

~Mika

I am very suspicious of people.

~Mika

Never had any idols, ever. I never had any posters, nothing.

~Mika

I've always said in the press, I can fall in love with a man. I can fall in love with a woman. And I've always said that I have no shame in that.

~Mika

The music industry doesn't exist the way it used to. You'll never have another star like the stars of the '90s.

~Mika

Lady Gaga has a very unjaded intelligence. It's brilliant, 'cause it's anti-snob.

~Mika

I love collaborating with strong women.

~Mika

I want to make big-sounding pop records.

~Mika

I never talk about anything to do with my sexuality.

~Mika

I'm obsessed with plastic. I like the syntheticcess.

~Mika

I don't know where my father is from. I just don't. He's lived in so many countries.

~Mika

I was born out of classical music.

~Mika

In my older songs, I used to hide behind fictional characters to deflect attention away from myself.

~Mika

I found school pretty tough. I got the mickey taken out of me at school.

~Mika

Identity for me is something that has to be played with and explored, and not become complacent about or uninterested in.

~Mika

You can't deny your limitations.

~Mika

Everything I do is very visual and very aural, so I don't read music, and I draw as much as I write out lyrics.

~Mika

My life isn't tabloid-friendly.

~Mika

I am terrible at relationships.

~Mika

In the stock market, when you are right, you make a little money; when you are wrong, you learn a lot of lessons, so you always win!

~Mika

Over the past few days I have been fighting off a virus that has affected the majority of my band and crew.

~Mika

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