

Olafur Eliasson

Quotes

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Having an experience is taking part in the world. Taking part in the world is really about sharing responsibility.

~Olafur Eliasson

My goal is to formulate a new color theory based on the full spectrum of visible light.

~Olafur Eliasson

I always try to make work that activates the viewer to be a co-producer of our shared reality.

~Olafur Eliasson

The viewer brings something individual to the experience of any artwork.

~Olafur Eliasson

Artists are valuable to public discussion: They show the correlation between doing and thinking.

~Olafur Eliasson

Light has an evident, functional and aesthetic impact on our lives.

~Olafur Eliasson

For the sake of sanity, the brain and the eyes keep things simple. But take away the sense of sight and suddenly things are not so simple.

~Olafur Eliasson

I see the artist as a participant, a co-producer of reality. I do not see the artist as a person who sits at a distance and evaluates.

~Olafur Eliasson

I do not think making art alone makes it any better than making it with a team of people.

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I believe that access to electricity and light can radically improve people's lives.

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Photographs have a relevance for things that cannot be said.

~Olafur Eliasson

I don't think you need to be so result-oriented when you're trying to define the success of an art work. I think we can allow some unpredictability.

~Olafur Eliasson

By bringing Little Sun to Tate Modern and the London Olympics, I hope to realise an art project for those who typically have no access to global events of this scale.

~Olafur Eliasson

Every city is always changing, on its own trajectory.

~Olafur Eliasson

There are 1.3 billion people today who have no access to electricity. Many of them rely on kerosene lanterns for light, but kerosene is both expensive and hazardous to the health.

~Olafur Eliasson

If I have the choice of traveling to Russia, India or New Zealand alone for a week for preliminary discussions or to spend that week with my family, I routinely choose my family.

~Olafur Eliasson

I don't know a single collector or museum director who says: 'Oh, he's

on a list, so I think I'll buy something of his.' The people who buy my art put a little more thought into it than that.

~Olafur Eliasson

In the past Berlin was much more radical and extreme and now it's becoming much more of a conventional European city.

~Olafur Eliasson

I myself have already spent a third of my life in Germany, first in Cologne and then, since 1994, in Berlin.

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