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I played the tuba in high school. I wanted to be a member of the marching band. I thought, what can I play that has the most effect? What can I play to get people to laugh?

~Patti LuPone

Smile at a stranger. See what happens.

~Patti LuPone

Sometimes love doesn't come to us. We have to go out hunting. It's like pigs looking for truffles. It's called dating.

~Patti LuPone

A well-rounded performer will listen to all kinds of music. I like classical, Middle Eastern, and rock a lot.

~Patti LuPone

I don't listen to the contemporary pop artists. They all sound alike, anyway.

~Patti LuPone

I'm sure there are actors out there who work with other actors on a consistent basis - I am not one of them.

~Patti LuPone

To transform the world women need to demand their place - which is not equal, but superior.

~Patti LuPone

Anybody that goes to the theater, I think we're all misfits, so we ended up on stage or in the audience.

~Patti LuPone

I just love chickens.

~Patti LuPone

I knew when I was a kid that I had a Broadway voice. I wanted to be a rocker, because I grew up in that era of transistor radios at the beach.

~Patti LuPone

I am in musical theatre, but it isn't necessarily what I listen to in my leisure time, do you know what I mean?

~Patti LuPone

I know what it means to have a leading part, and I know what it means to have a featured part.

~Patti LuPone

I learned a long time ago from David Mamet to wipe your feet at the door, get it out on stage and then go about your life.

~Patti LuPone

All my career, I've said this: Critics and producers think audiences want actors that only present the silhouette and hit the points in the silhouette. What I do is too dangerous.

~Patti LuPone

The word diva to me means doing something supernatural with something natural.

~Patti LuPone

I think the way I can sing the way I sing is because of the way I talk to my animals. I hit some really high notes.

~Patti LuPone

My favorite band was The Band, and nobody compares in my mind with The Band.

~Patti LuPone

I'd love to do situation comedy - it's the best job in show business.

~Patti LuPone

I think that Stevie Nicks is one of the greats. Steve Nicks and Grace Slick and Janis Joplin have the real rock voices, to me.

~Patti LuPone

In America, it stands out, because it's raw, it's big, it's emotional. My face is raw, big and emotional. It didn't work for the longest time.

~Patti LuPone

I just create, that's what I do.

~Patti LuPone

The theater is a tough place. It's not cushioned the way it is in film and television.

~Patti LuPone

I'm totally Italian, but I'm not a diva. If you could see the way I'm dressed in daily life, that's not a diva. Appearances are so not important to me.

~Patti LuPone

I wish I could have a recurring role on 'Modern Family'. I think 'Modern Family' is the best comedy on television. It's extremely well written, extremely well acted and directed.

~Patti LuPone

A show is exhausting when it stinks. It's exhausting when you have to work overtime to make something work.

~Patti LuPone

I think Madonna is a wonderful performer.

~Patti LuPone

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