

# Paul Weller

## Quotes

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If you gave me a fresh carnation, I would only crush its tender petals.

~Paul Weller

Being a musician is a noble profession.

~Paul Weller

Everyone gets frustrated and aggressive, and I'd sooner take my aggression out on a guitar than on a person.

~Paul Weller

I'm still a mod, I'll always be a mod, you can bury me a mod.

~Paul Weller

No man should have cowboys boots in his wardrobe. That's fair enough, isn't it? Unless you're a cowboy, of course.

~Paul Weller

I want to hear as much music as I possibly can before I leave this mortal coil but it's impossible to hear it all because there's so much of it.

~Paul Weller

Sometimes you're ahead of the game and sometimes people don't get it and that's just one of those things you have to accept and carry on.

~Paul Weller

I think politicians are so far out of step with what people really want.

~Paul Weller

I still love playing music. It was all I ever wanted to do, and I got the chance to do it.

~Paul Weller

I think anybody goes through a crisis of confidence from time to time.

You have to kind of doubt yourself, sometimes. It's the way forward.

~Paul Weller

You can't live a lie. You have to follow your heart.

~Paul Weller

I don't like to get pigeonholed. I don't like it when people think they have you sewn up.

~Paul Weller

Why not go down the pub? A guy once came up to me at a gig and asked me if I had MySpace. I said, 'This is my space, and you're invading it.'

~Paul Weller

People say you make your best work when in despair, but I think happiness is a good place to write from.

~Paul Weller

I look for that stimulation constantly. I'm looking for inspiration and stimulation. Not bored with what we've done.

~Paul Weller

I suppose it's nice to have some surprise in life and to surprise yourself in life and see what else you can do.

~Paul Weller

I think you have to satisfy yourself first and foremost.

~Paul Weller

I play out my role, I've even been out walking -They tell me that it helps, but I know when I'm beaten.

~Paul Weller

I'm always looking forward to what I'm doing now, and what's ahead.

~Paul Weller

I think the world is really small today, and fashion, from that end of it, it's instantaneous everywhere.

~Paul Weller

There's always something in most world folk musics that always seems connected; whether it's a bagpipe or a tambura, there's always some sort of drone instrument, and there's always percussion.

~Paul Weller

I don't feel old or young, I just am

~Paul Weller

I don't like the royal family, I don't like the establishment, I don't like the civil service.

~Paul Weller

There's such a wealth of great music, clothes or whatever. There is so much great stuff out there, that why would you not still be interested if you've grown up in that kind of culture?

~Paul Weller

I get labelled as just being about one thing, but there's lots of layers to what I do.

~Paul Weller

It is nice to make a record and people like it, and it's encouraging.

~Paul Weller

I really enjoy playing America. I like the audiences there. It's the home of a lot of music I grew up with.

~Paul Weller

There's this British elegance that we, at times, have really missed in the States. We've always been more of a sportswear culture.

~Paul Weller

When I listen to a record, or when I'm making a record, I listen to everything. I listen to the drums, the bass, the voice, the arrangement. I listen to the whole piece as an ensemble.

~Paul Weller

I still want to do what I want to do, but we also have to think about some sense of protecting the business that's out there as well.

~Paul Weller

You do your runway show, and it's all over the Internet before I see anything on there.

~Paul Weller

I was always taught as a kid that if there's anything you want in life, you've got to work towards it. I guess that sort of stayed with me, really.

~Paul Weller

I could write songs about politics, but I'm conscious of not writing songs that sound the same as the ones I wrote 30 years ago.

~Paul Weller

It can get boring. Not the playing the songs necessarily, or doing the clothes. You know, you need stimulus.

~Paul Weller

It's important to know all those things, but part of our jobs is to move people along and to make people excited to buy music or buy clothes, and give them enjoyment, I think, too.

~Paul Weller

I had a total belief in The Style Council. I meant every word and felt every action.

~Paul Weller

I'm so lucky, I'm just really grateful for what I've got around me - children and my wife and everything else.

~Paul Weller

Even somebody like The Black Keys or Royal Blood, they all have this original roots base to what they do.

~Paul Weller

There have been records I've been really, really pleased with that haven't connected with people. But I felt good about them.

~Paul Weller

I've always liked my clothes, even before I could properly afford them. Clothes for me were never a cloak, a cover. They were how I chose to express myself.

~Paul Weller

If you're into a certain band, you're into the way they dress.

~Paul Weller

If you're making music, you must want to turn other people on to it, whether you're number one in the charts or number 60.

~Paul Weller

You can listen to music at any moment in the day or night. Which is great, but I think it kind of devalues it as well.

~Paul Weller

The whole thing with eastern music and instruments, I love all that stuff.

~Paul Weller

The Beatles changed the world. They certainly changed my world, and many, many other individuals as well.

~Paul Weller

I wanted to make a record that sounded like a continuous piece

~Paul Weller

If we get through for two minutes only it will be a start!

~Paul Weller

It's always good to play New York. The Apollo is a great gig. I loved that.

~Paul Weller

I only put an album out every two or three years.

~Paul Weller

I've not had Botox, no.

~Paul Weller

There are so many artists who get to my age that get comfortable and just stick in a groove, and I really don't want to do that.

~Paul Weller

I just pretty much love from 1966 to 1972, that's my time. I think everything that needs to be said was said within that time. That's just a subjective thing, as well.

~Paul Weller

I suppose I was much more serious-minded in the '70s and '80s.

~Paul Weller

So much is filtered by pop music today, because the music industry is driven by single, single, single, single, the next single, not the nurturing of artists and that kind of thing.

~Paul Weller

It's just something internal that says, 'I've got to do this now. This is what I'm doing now.'

~Paul Weller

I'm very, very open to experimenting with different people and trying to find different methods of writing and making music.

~Paul Weller

Our campaigns have always been based on what we consider music icons that transcend generations and they're not of the moment - they continue to evolve.

~Paul Weller

The '40s were quite austere and super glamorous.

~Paul Weller

I'm fine with being thought of as a guitar player, and if I can get any recognition or respect for doing that, that's a pretty good thing for me.

~Paul Weller

Going to college was never an option. I was passionate about music, but how much talent I actually had was another matter.

~Paul Weller

I don't really wanna talk about politics, I'm not clever enough.

~Paul Weller

I don't think about what I can't do or what I shouldn't be doing. I just think there are endless possibilities musically, really.



~Paul Weller

It's a global fashion thing; because of the Internet it has gotten really small. It's cluttered, but it's gotten small.

~Paul Weller

Nothing wrong with pop.

~Paul Weller

I could say that 'Exile On Main Street' was my favourite or whatever, but I'm more about the songs and the artists and the sound that they bring.

~Paul Weller

In all honesty, I don't know what one song can change.

~Paul Weller

The whole nostalgia thing, and just sticking with what you always liked and what you know and not taking a chance on something or expanding. I think especially after a certain age.

~Paul Weller

I'm not big on rap, to be honest. I just don't get it. It's angry people shouting. I like a song, melodies, people singing.

~Paul Weller

People say that if you're still angry at 52, you're not an angry young man, just a grumpy old git.

~Paul Weller

I love the Kinks, but I like all sorts of music. If I stay at home at night and play records, I just go through the whole spectrum, really. I just love music.

~Paul Weller

Life is a drink and you get drunk when you're young...

~Paul Weller

When I'm dead I wanna leave a body of work, like authors or great painters do.

~Paul Weller

There's more to distract people, isn't there? When I was a kid there was music and football and clothes. And that was kind of it, really. Those three things defined you as a person.

~Paul Weller

I love soul music, that's my real love in life and in whatever shape or form it is.

~Paul Weller

In my old age, my mind gets more open, and I listen to so many different types of music and I guess that all reflects in my work.

~Paul Weller

Pop music was supposed to be a flash in the pan, but here we are 50 years later and it means something to us, and it always will do. It's incredibly important.

~Paul Weller

I don't know if there's any formula. I'm not sure I believe in that, to be honest. I don't know if there's any rhyme or reason to music.

Sometimes it hits and sometimes it doesn't, really.

~Paul Weller

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