

# Phil Elvrum

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*People, Thinking, Song, Meaningful, Trying, Mind, Reason, Real, Attention,  
Beautiful, Interesting, Book, Nuts, Musical, Teenager, Two, War, Assumption,  
Feelings, Care*

All things in the world are singing a song, reciting a poem, inaudibly, to their surroundings, to the things they encounter.

~Phil Elvrum

When someone close to you dies, the line is shifted really drastically about what is meaningful and what isn't.

~Phil Elvrum

It's interesting to think about the different forms one place can take.

~Phil Elvrum

Whenever I get a tweet that's trying to promote a thing someone cares about, I'm like, "how annoying!"

~Phil Elvrum

I've been thinking a lot about Anacortes and what it's like to be here, though I'm not trying to get people to move here - I would hate that.

~Phil Elvrum

For some reason focusing on destruction and mortality is more poetically exciting to me than hope and love.

~Phil Elvrum

I've always written songs with a visual counterpart in my mind that no one else can see.

~Phil Elvrum

Profound thoughts and profound experiences get revealed to be tricks that we play on ourselves, and poetry gets revealed to be just, like, some dumb words that somebody put in an interesting order.

~Phil Elvrum

I learned how to sit on the couch in front of the fire and read a magazine, just for like eight hours a day, every day. It was... crazy.

~Phil Elvrum

If my music is political in a way, and it might be, it's in the way of generating a sensitivity in people, a deeper awareness of the world around them. That's my goal, at least.

~Phil Elvrum

I like the idea of politically charged music a lot, but it usually seems to be preaching to the choir and ineffective.

~Phil Elvrum

Twitter is so stupid. I mean, it sucks! It's not a good way to communicate and it's really difficult to use it for any functional thing.

~Phil Elvrum

To me, Twitter seems like a way for people to just let the world know about the most mundane bullshit that crosses their mind.

~Phil Elvrum

It's nice to have a band that can adapt to whatever show we're in, so we can play on a big stage or a house show.

~Phil Elvrum

I was going to tweet every three seconds about every thought that went through my mind, and I did that for a few days. It was really fun, and funny to me.

~Phil Elvrum

People's attentions spans are getting shorter and shorter. I don't want to cater to that necessarily but, just for myself, it feels like more than 40 minutes of music is too much.

~Phil Elvrum

I think that I probably inevitably fetishize nature, although I try not to,

because it's kind of embarrassing, repulsive behavior. I think it's just an extension of me being old-fashioned.

~Phil Elvrum

I am still not taking my "career" in music for granted. It is constantly surprising that it works. Generally my thinking about the future has this assumption of an impending apocalypse.

~Phil Elvrum

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