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When you have the paparazzi hiding in the bushes outside your home, the only thing you can control is how you respond publicly.

~Portia de Rossi

There's a fine line between being private and being ashamed.

~Portia de Rossi

Everyone is their own kind of lesbian. To think there's a certain way to dress or present yourself in the world is just one more stereotype we have to fit into.

~Portia de Rossi

Just look at all the awards shows now. It has turned into a catwalk. You have to be wearing a certain designer, a certain dress, and everyone's critiquing.

~Portia de Rossi

Average. It was the worst, most disgusting word in the English language. Nothing meaningful or worthwhile ever came from that word.

~Portia de Rossi

I've had so many interviews where the last question is, Are you gay? I had to find very creative ways to say that I was gay, but that I wasn't going to talk about it.

~Portia de Rossi

And I somehow always felt less lonely when I was completely alone.

~Portia de Rossi

Most important, in order to find real happiness, you must learn to love yourself for the totality of who you are and not just what you look like.

~Portia de Rossi

My sexuality is a part of me that I really like. But it's not the totality of

me.

~Portia de Rossi

True nobility isn't about being better than anyone else; it's about being better than you used to be.

~Portia de Rossi

I didn't choose the fact that I was gay, but I did choose whether to live my life as a gay woman-that was the terrifying thing for me. Especially being a gay actress.

~Portia de Rossi

Restriction generates yearning. You want what you cannot have.

~Portia de Rossi

My feelings for Ellen overrode all of my fear about being out as a lesbian. I had to be with her, and I just figured I'd deal with the other stuff later.

~Portia de Rossi

If I was 14 and knew some gay people, I wouldn't nearly have had the struggle I had. Our world is definitely changing.

~Portia de Rossi

I'm living by example by continuing on with my career and having a full, rich life, and I am incidentally gay.

~Portia de Rossi

When I was anorexic it just seemed like I literally wanted to disappear. And now I would like to reappear.

~Portia de Rossi

If you've looked at all the glamour magazines lately, all the covers are actresses. If they are on those covers, they are going to try to emulate

models. That's just the way it is.

~Portia de Rossi

I had a hell of a time convincing people I was gay - which was so annoying!

~Portia de Rossi

The most important thing for me was to never, ever, ever deny it. But I didn't really have the courage to talk about it. I was thinking, The people who need to know I'm gay know.

~Portia de Rossi

I married him for a green card. We had a really great, caring relationship; it just obviously wasn't right for me.

~Portia de Rossi

I don't even like watching sex scenes in movies. I have a slight prudish side to me.

~Portia de Rossi

I love being able to wear dresses and clothes that make me feel feminine and beautiful, and I love the fact that I don't have to all the time; I can wear a tank and jeans.

~Portia de Rossi

You live with the fear people might find out. Then you actually have the courage to tell people and they go, I don't think you are gay. It's enough to drive you crazy.

~Portia de Rossi

Supermodels are over, and the new picture girl has become the television actress.

~Portia de Rossi

I want young people to see me and think you can be feminine and smart and successful, all at the same time.

~Portia de Rossi

Every animal has its own intelligence and sensitivities. They're all lovely, worthwhile, and deserving of our respect.

~Portia de Rossi

When I watched Ellen come out in '97, my jaw was on the floor. I thought, There are some people who break the doors down, hold them open, and some people who walk right through.

~Portia de Rossi

I try to be feminine, yet intellectual and smart at the same time. You don't see enough of that.

~Portia de Rossi

I knew that I was gay, I knew it. I just couldn't see myself as a gay woman, even though that's where my heart was.

~Portia de Rossi

I stumbled into acting and just loved it. I deferred law school - and I'm still deferred.

~Portia de Rossi

Healing comes from love. And loving every living thing in turn helps you love yourself.

~Portia de Rossi

I have to be asked, I guess, but I love the idea of marriage. I think it's beautiful. I'm such a romantic, and I always have been.

~Portia de Rossi

I had to find a relationship with someone who could simultaneously

make me grow up and keep me forever young.

~Portia de Rossi

I love to work. I really enjoy getting up really early and driving downtown. I just really love the process of acting and being on a series.

~Portia de Rossi

You don't have to be emaciated or vomiting to be suffering. All people who live their lives on a diet are suffering.

~Portia de Rossi

I was trying to find a reason for having had to escape from the place that was my home. To convince myself of my choices, I had to make it a place that everyone should want to escape from.

~Portia de Rossi

Normal" isn't an adjective you wish to hear after putting that much effort into making sure it was spectacular.

~Portia de Rossi

I did a lot of fast talking as a youth; I was pretty good at it. I was never talked into it - I was always the one doing the talking.

~Portia de Rossi

We must be able to inspire. That's my goal in acting.

~Portia de Rossi

I knew I wasn't attractive, and I was very happy about that. I didn't want to be attractive. I didn't want to attract. As long as no one wanted to be let in, I didn't have to shut anyone out.

~Portia de Rossi

Women in the postfeminist era, while supposedly strong and

commanding and equal to men in every sense, looked weaker and smaller than ever before.

~Portia de Rossi

Even when I took first prize, topped the class, won the race, I never really won anything. I was merely avoiding the embarrassment of losing.

~Portia de Rossi

People might find me attractive, but it's also my job to prove that I can be intelligent.

~Portia de Rossi

It sounds so trite, but my private life is mine.

~Portia de Rossi

I didn't understand that playing roles in any relationship is false and will inevitably lead to the relationship's collapse. No one can be any one thing all the time.

~Portia de Rossi

I love body parts, especially hands.

~Portia de Rossi

Thanks so much, everybody, for making gay marriage legal, thank you for everything you've done-I'm just going to walk through that door

~Portia de Rossi

I'm really attracted to strong women. Let me rephrase that, I'm really attracted to strong female characters.

~Portia de Rossi

In high school I had sex with girls quite a few times. They were straight women who I convinced to jump in the sack with me.

~Portia de Rossi

Even if I'm hormonal and I feel like I've got a couple pounds of water weight, I will never starve myself, I will never, ever go on a diet.

~Portia de Rossi

I have a very, very healthy relationship with food in that I eat whatever I want, whenever I want. I never restrict quantities or types of food.

~Portia de Rossi

I justified it in so many ways. I had a very, very long and difficult struggle with my sexuality.

~Portia de Rossi

I never, ever, restrict food, and I will never go on a diet ever again.

~Portia de Rossi

I highly recommend inviting the worst-case scenario into your life.

~Portia de Rossi

Shame weighs a lot more than flesh and bone.

~Portia de Rossi

I'm not quite as limber, but for my peers and my age group, I'm still top notch!

~Portia de Rossi

I was very sexual from a very young age.

~Portia de Rossi

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