

Richard Schmid

Quotes

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Talent, don't bother about whether or not you have it. Just assume that you do, and forget about it. Talent is a word we use after someone has become accomplished.

~Richard Schmid

It often takes two to do a good painting - one to paint it, and another to rap the painter smartly with a hammer before he or she can ruin it.

~Richard Schmid

I honestly believe students of painting in the next century will laugh at the abstract art movement. They will marvel at such a drawn-out regression in the plastic arts.

~Richard Schmid

If there is a conflict in your mind between what you know and what you are seeing, paint what you see because if you don't, the result will look like something that isn't there.

~Richard Schmid

Make your art a gift of inspiration to others to work toward better things.

~Richard Schmid

When we are bursting with some wordless experience, Art is our voice, the song of the heart.

~Richard Schmid

What sets you apart from the rest of humanity is your ability to give visual form to an idea - the skill to transform it into something more than merely the insight or perception alone.

~Richard Schmid

Don't wish for "secrets" of the masters, either. There are none worth fooling with. They had no special mediums or paints, nor special

brushes that made their work great.

~Richard Schmid

All great art originates from the innocent child within us expressing itself through the wisdom, experience and skill of an adult.

~Richard Schmid

The strength and clarity of the picture you envision at the start will tell you when you are done. You are finished when you have said what you wish to say, when nothing added can make it better.

~Richard Schmid

My idealism is clearly one reason I'm an artist. I see art as one of mankind's more sublime acts, as a vital counterbalance to our base impulses .

~Richard Schmid

If we only thought of our feet as we walk, we'd miss everything else.

~Richard Schmid

The grandest and simplest things contain worlds within worlds. Seeing them is a matter of the right point of view, and your painter's eye is the special portal to such sights.

~Richard Schmid

Be flexible - the order in which you introduce the elements of a painting should not be a rigid system. What worked last time may not work this time.

~Richard Schmid

Use lots of paint and don't worry, they will make more.

~Richard Schmid

I see the things and people and events in my daily world as an endless

succession of paintings.

~Richard Schmid

Don't go overboard with exotic or complex ways to paint. Stick to simple solutions, unless there is a good reason to do otherwise.

~Richard Schmid

Be prepared! All of your gear should be in a state of readiness so you can concentrate on painting. Choose your brushes as you would choose weapons before battle.

~Richard Schmid

An incomplete sketch superbly executed is power.

~Richard Schmid

Never knowingly leave anything wrong on your canvas.

~Richard Schmid

Paint like a pig eats.

~Richard Schmid

Your rules should arise out of your passions and your experience with what works for you.

~Richard Schmid

Whenever I can, I paint the powerful and obvious things in my subject first.

~Richard Schmid

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