

Ruth Bernhard

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The ground we walk on, the plants and creatures, the clouds above constantly dissolving into new formations - each gift of nature possessing its own radiant energy, bound together by cosmic harmony.

~Ruth Bernhard

If you are not passionately devoted to an idea, you can make very pleasant pictures but they won't make you cry.

~Ruth Bernhard

What the human eye sees is an illusion of what is real. The black and white image transforms illusions into another reality.

~Ruth Bernhard

Fall in love. Every day. With everything. With life. If you can fall in love, you can be a photographer. I think that is absolutely essential.

~Ruth Bernhard

If you are not willing to see more than is visible, you won't see anything.

~Ruth Bernhard

I never question what to do, it tells me what to do. The photographs make themselves with my help.

~Ruth Bernhard

Woman has been the target of much that is sordid and cheap, especially in photography. To raise, to elevate, to endorse with timeless reverence the image of woman, has been my mission.

~Ruth Bernhard

A person cannot learn to be a photographer. He can only cultivate what he already has. I try to make people aware that they have something very precious to cultivate.

~Ruth Bernhard

If you're not interested in life, then photography has no meaning

~Ruth Bernhard

There is no such thing as taking too much time, because your soul is in that picture.

~Ruth Bernhard

If you can't make the image bigger or more important than what you see, then don't push the button

~Ruth Bernhard

#1 Never Get Used to Anything.

~Ruth Bernhard

I never look for a photograph. The photograph finds me and says, I'm here! and I say, Yes, I see you. I hear you.

~Ruth Bernhard

You have to follow your instinct all the time. Otherwise you don't make it.

~Ruth Bernhard

Never ever say the word shoot when you are taking a picture with a camera because a camera is not a violent weapon.

~Ruth Bernhard

I always said 'yes' to everything.

~Ruth Bernhard

Everything is one and I am one with it.

~Ruth Bernhard

I expect photographs to find me. I never thought of looking for them. I instinctively put them there. My intellect had nothing to do with it.

~Ruth Bernhard

Remember God likes us best when we are flying by the seats of our pants.

~Ruth Bernhard

There is nothing unimportant in the universe.

~Ruth Bernhard

Often I have struggled for days to get the image of the photograph to overlap the spirit I see. It is an awesome responsibility, and a lonely one.

~Ruth Bernhard

Photography is art when it's used by an artist.

~Ruth Bernhard

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