

Salvador Dali

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A true artist is not one who is inspired, but one who inspires others.

~Salvador Dali

You have to systematically create confusion, it sets creativity free.
Everything that is contradictory creates life

~Salvador Dali

Each morning when I awake, I experience again a supreme pleasure -
that of being Salvador Dali.

~Salvador Dali

Great wine requires a mad man to grow the vine, a wise man to watch
over it, a lucid poet to make it, and a lover to drink it.

~Salvador Dali

Have no fear of perfection - you'll never reach it.

~Salvador Dali

There are some days when I think I'm going to die from an overdose of
satisfaction.

~Salvador Dali

I am not strange. I am just not normal.

~Salvador Dali

Intelligence without ambition is a bird without wings.

~Salvador Dali

One day it will have to be officially admitted that what we have
christened reality is an even greater illusion than the world of dreams.

~Salvador Dali

Surrealism is destructive, but it destroys only what it considers to be
shackles limiting our vision.

~Salvador Dali

Mistakes are almost always of a sacred nature. Never try to correct them. On the contrary: rationalize them, understand them thoroughly. After that, it will be possible for you to sublimate them.

~Salvador Dali

Everything alters me, but nothing changes me.

~Salvador Dali

The fact I myself do not understand what my paintings mean while I am painting them does not imply that they are meaningless.

~Salvador Dali

I do not take drugs. I am drugs.

~Salvador Dali

There comes a moment in every person's life when they realise they adore me.

~Salvador Dali

There is only one difference between a madman and me. The madman thinks he is sane. I know I am mad.

~Salvador Dali

So little of what could happen does happen.

~Salvador Dali

Life is too short to remain unnoticed

~Salvador Dali

At the age of six I wanted to be a cook. At seven I wanted to be Napoleon. And my ambition has been growing steadily ever since.

~Salvador Dali

I don't do drugs. I am drugs.

~Salvador Dali

The thermometer of success is merely the jealousy of the malcontents.

~Salvador Dali

The difference between false memories and true ones is the same as for jewels: it is always the false ones that look the most real, the most brilliant.

~Salvador Dali

I believe that the moment is near when by a procedure of active paranoiac thought, it will be possible to systematize confusion and contribute to the total discrediting of the world of reality.

~Salvador Dali

The famous soft watches are nothing else than the tender, extravagant, solitary, paranoiac-critical camembert of time and space.

~Salvador Dali

Democratic societies are unfit for the publication of such thunderous revelations as I am in the habit of making.

~Salvador Dali

The true painter must be able, with the most usual things, to have the most unusual ideas.

~Salvador Dali

If you refuse to study anatomy, the arts of drawing and perspective, the mathematics of aesthetics, and the science of color, let me tell you that this is more a sign of laziness than of genius.

~Salvador Dali

Those who do not want to imitate anything, produce nothing.

~Salvador Dali

The terrifying and edible beauty of Art Nouveau architecture.

~Salvador Dali

If you understand a painting beforehand, you might as well not paint it.

~Salvador Dali

Don't bother about being modern. Unfortunately it is the one thing that, whatever you do, you cannot avoid.

~Salvador Dali

Knowing how to look is a way of inventing.

~Salvador Dali

Mistakes are almost always of a sacred nature, understand them thoroughly.

~Salvador Dali

Give me two hours a day of activity, and I'll take the other twenty-two in dreams.

~Salvador Dali

I do not paint a portrait to look like the subject, rather does the person grow to look like his portrait.

~Salvador Dali

Let my enemies devour each other.

~Salvador Dali

The connoisseur does not drink wine but tastes its secrets

~Salvador Dali

Take me, I am the drug; take me, I am hallucinogenic.

~Salvador Dali

The only difference between me and a madman is that I'm not mad.

~Salvador Dali

We are all hungry and thirsty for concrete images.

~Salvador Dali

To be interesting, one has to provoke.

~Salvador Dali

And now the announcement of Watson and Crick about DNA. This is for me the real proof of the existence of God.

~Salvador Dali

Picasso is a painter, so am I; Picasso is Spanish, so am I; Picasso is a communist, neither am I.

~Salvador Dali

Qui sait d'Ã©guster ne boit plus jamais de vin, mais goÃ»te des secrets

~Salvador Dali

The problem with the youth of today' is that one is no longer part of it.

~Salvador Dali

Drawing is the honesty of the art. There is no possibility of cheating. It is either good or bad.

~Salvador Dali

The first man to compare the cheeks of a young woman to a rose was obviously a poet; the first to repeat it was possibly an idiot.

~Salvador Dali

It is not necessary for the public to know whether I am joking or whether

I am serious, just as it is not necessary for me to know it myself.

~Salvador Dali

It is either easy or impossible.

~Salvador Dali

Forever will be you and me.

~Salvador Dali

I have Dalinian thought: the one thing the world will never have enough of is the outrageous.

~Salvador Dali

Sometimes I spit on my mother's portrait for pleasure.

~Salvador Dali

I do not understand why, when I ask for grilled lobster in a restaurant, I'm never served a cooked telephone.

~Salvador Dali

Every morning when I wake up, I experience an exquisite joy - the joy of being Salvador Dalí - and I ask myself in rapture: What wonderful things this Salvador Dalí - is going to accomplish today?

~Salvador Dali

Beauty should be edible, or not at all.

~Salvador Dali

Happy is he who causes a scandal

~Salvador Dali

I shall be so brief that I have already finished.

~Salvador Dali

I want to perceive and understand the hidden powers and laws of things, in order to have them in my power.

~Salvador Dali

I am making things that inspire me with a profound emotion and I am trying to paint them honestly.

~Salvador Dali

Begin by learning to draw and paint like the old masters. After that, you can do as you like; everyone will respect you.

~Salvador Dali

An elegant woman is a woman who despises you and has no hair under her arms.

~Salvador Dali

Do not be afraid of perfection - you will never attain it.

~Salvador Dali

Every morning upon awakening, I experience a supreme pleasure: that of being Salvador Dali, and I ask myself, wonderstruck, what prodigious thing will he do today, this Salvador Dali.

~Salvador Dali

What is important is to spread confusion, not eliminate it.

~Salvador Dali

Everything that is contradictory creates life

~Salvador Dali

Right now I'm the greatest. I don't say this through vanity. It's just that the rest are so bad.

~Salvador Dali

Geniuses must never die, the progress of mankind depends on us

~Salvador Dali

New skin, a new land! And a land of liberty, if that is possible! I chose the geology of a land that was new to me.

~Salvador Dali

Genius has to pass over madness and madness over genius

~Salvador Dali

Drawing is the honesty of the art.

~Salvador Dali

I'm going to live forever. Geniuses don't die.

~Salvador Dali

Since man's highest mission on earth is to spiritualize everything, it is his excrement in particular that needs it most.

~Salvador Dali

Paranoiac-critical activity makes the world of delirium pass onto the plane of reality.

~Salvador Dali

God invented man, and man invented the metric system.

~Salvador Dali

Everyone should eat hashish, but only once.

~Salvador Dali

When the creations of a genius collide with the mind of a layman, and produce an empty sound, there is little doubt as to which is at fault.

~Salvador Dali

The desire to survive and the fear of death are artistic sentiments

~Salvador Dali

I am the first to be surprised and often terrified by the images that I see appear on my canvas.

~Salvador Dali

Man cannot change or escape his time. The eye sees the present and the future

~Salvador Dali

Liking money like I like it, is nothing less than mysticism. Money is a glory.

~Salvador Dali

We are all hungry and thirsty for concrete images. Abstract art will have been good for one thing: to restore its exact virginity to figurative art.

~Salvador Dali

Painting is an infinitely minute part of my personality.

~Salvador Dali

It is good taste, and good taste alone, that possesses the power to sterilize and is always the first handicap to any creative functioning.

~Salvador Dali

Wars have never hurt anybody except the people who die.

~Salvador Dali

People love mystery, and that is why they love my paintings.

~Salvador Dali

The reason some portraits don't look true to life is that some people make no effort to resemble their pictures.

~Salvador Dali

I worry about another leg down in the economies causing social disruption because deleveragings can be very painful - it depends on how they're managed.

~Salvador Dali

Instead of stubbornly attempting to use surrealism for purposes of subversion, it is necessary to try to make of surrealism something as solid, complete and classic as the works of museums.

~Salvador Dali

The two greatest strokes of luck that can happen to a painter are (1) to be Spanish, (2) to be called Dali

~Salvador Dali

There is one thing more exasperating than a spouse who can cook and won't, and that's a spouse who can't cook and will. There is only one difference between a madman and me. I am not mad.

~Salvador Dali

This grandiose tragedy that we call modern art.

~Salvador Dali

I seated ugliness on my knee, and almost immediately grew tired of it.

~Salvador Dali

Just as I am astonished that a bank clerk never eats a cheque, so too am I astonished that no painter before me ever thought of painting a soft watch.

~Salvador Dali

Nothing proves the truth of surrealism so much as photography. The Zeiss lens has unexpected faculties of surprise!

~Salvador Dali

The secret of my influence has always been that it remained secret.

~Salvador Dali

I do not believe in my death.

~Salvador Dali

Many people do not reach their eighties because they spend too much time in their forties.

~Salvador Dali

I don't take drugs: I am drugs.

~Salvador Dali

The sole difference between myself and a madman is the fact that I am not mad.

~Salvador Dali

Every morning when I awake, the greatest of joys is mine: that of being Salvador Dali.

~Salvador Dali

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