

Samantha Hunt Quotes

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Listening, Silent, Darkness, Grandparent, Trying, Language, World, Grateful,
Dying, Father*

I would like to give you more of my heart, but there is nothing more I can give you. I gave you everything and you crushed it into bits.

~Samantha Hunt

The lion's share of my work is revision, 85%? I revise forever, combing over lines, listening and listening to them in different hours and moods so that I feel they are finally right for me.

~Samantha Hunt

I'll just tell you what I remember because memory is as close as I've gotten to building my own time machine.

~Samantha Hunt

There's a voice when I write. I speak everything aloud. My family is so accustomed to me talking to myself that often times they don't answer me when I am trying to speak to one of them.

~Samantha Hunt

I am a toggler. I always have three or four projects going, short stories alongside novels and essays. When one project is terrible, there's somewhere else hopeful to look.

~Samantha Hunt

The Dark Dark is a far slower project, clearly, and that's a relief. I look for slowness anywhere I can find it.

~Samantha Hunt

My father thought a novel was a broken short story. There's something to that. Many of my favorite novels are novellas. The authors of brief things must reckon with the precision of language.

~Samantha Hunt

I became a writer because I am the youngest of six children. I listen; I observe. I'm camouflaged as a moth. Mothers are unseen. It helps me

write.

~Samantha Hunt

In writing I found a way to make silence and to be silent. The short story has a lot more silence than the novel and that is its success.

~Samantha Hunt

I am surprisingly optimistic, though lately that's been hard to maintain. Art and slow, small, close gestures help remind me of my optimism.

~Samantha Hunt

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