

Sandra Bernhard

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I'm studying Kabbalah, which is really the essence of Jewish spirituality.

~Sandra Bernhard

When you're constantly looking for things from other people, you're not looking within yourself.

~Sandra Bernhard

My father was a proctologist and my mother was an abstract artist, so that's how I view the world.

~Sandra Bernhard

Love is the only shocking act left on the face of the earth.

~Sandra Bernhard

Everybody has their own way of tapping into their realness.

~Sandra Bernhard

I really, really love Hilary Clinton. I think she's very cool. She's out there and she's involved.

~Sandra Bernhard

That disturbs people when they know they didn't have the guts or integrity to stick to their dreams.

~Sandra Bernhard

When you're watching the news, how many days in a row can you watch that and feel good about yourself and the world?

~Sandra Bernhard

I don't believe in karma.

~Sandra Bernhard

At no time do I come from a cynical point of view. I'm coming from a

concerned point of view.

~Sandra Bernhard

I really have a problem with any kind of drug, I always have.

~Sandra Bernhard

There are so few women in general who aren't completely threatened and confused by other women's success. It's very disappointing.

~Sandra Bernhard

Anything that has cynicism to it and that's jaded is smutty.

~Sandra Bernhard

Madonnas got one big choice. Take a couple of years off and become a human being.

~Sandra Bernhard

I don't like surgery. I don't like elective surgery, I don't like surgery that you have to have.

~Sandra Bernhard

There are few performers who would have had the audacity to even bring up the fact that they had been poorly reviewed.

~Sandra Bernhard

I've always been opposed to groups. I can't believe the doctrine of group is going to work for every single person within the group.

~Sandra Bernhard

Not everybody is cookie-cutter. You just can't be. There are too many variables in life.

~Sandra Bernhard

I think people are a little bit intimidated by me. You know, I'm not

exactly a wilting flower, so I think they're a little bit scared of me sometimes.

~Sandra Bernhard

I don't need to be redundant to the gay community about what's wrong and what isn't happening for them.

~Sandra Bernhard

The real terrorist threats are George W. Bush and his band of brown-shirted thugs.

~Sandra Bernhard

I've become this sort of icon for the gay community. I don't like the position.

~Sandra Bernhard

I'm trying to appeal to the disenfranchised everybody, not just specifically gay.

~Sandra Bernhard

Of course, everybody's family is dysfunctional - we've accepted that. What are we supposed to do? Hate our parents for the rest of our lives?

~Sandra Bernhard

People want to be famous, they want to be loved, they want to be accepted. They want to push aside their past and the things that have been embarrassing to them.

~Sandra Bernhard

I think I've drawn from some of the most feminine women, like Jackie Kennedy. I am totally devastated that she's gone. She had it all.

~Sandra Bernhard

I'm very much a humanist. I'm very much pro-choice. I'm very much politically correct.

~Sandra Bernhard

Gayness is a non-issue.

~Sandra Bernhard

When people pay to see you live, they connect with you on a much deeper level than people who just buy your records.

~Sandra Bernhard

You have to take the basics of feminism and the kind of outline of it and do what you do with it. You have to make things work for your own life.

~Sandra Bernhard

Random things make me laugh.

~Sandra Bernhard

If you come home to a household of chaos and anger and fear, you're not going to feel protected from the world.

~Sandra Bernhard

Purim, one of my favorite holidays. It's like the original drag queen's holiday. It's when all the Jewish men go for it and feel no guilt for a change.

~Sandra Bernhard

Maybe I'd be in a different place in my career if I'd had that 10-year plan, a lot of people went at it with this voracity that I never had. My only voracity was to have fun and to be in the mix.

~Sandra Bernhard

I feel like you've gotta be able to get up every night in front of a live audience. Whether it's 10 people or 50 people or a hundred people,

whether you're in a rock band or doing the comedy circuit.

~Sandra Bernhard

I don't think somebody can just, like, wave a magic wand and make you a star.

~Sandra Bernhard

I think so much of what informs us as performers is what we had to endure as kids growing up. I was the youngest in my family. I always got a lot of attention.

~Sandra Bernhard

I've always allowed myself to go on journeys creatively and emotionally, and never put, like, limits on myself.

~Sandra Bernhard

The most important, overriding arc of my career has been that I would never be self-deprecating.

~Sandra Bernhard

I would never wanna do a show that's strictly maudlin and invaded my personal life and my home. I would never do that.

~Sandra Bernhard

I always have kind of underneath feeling of peace of mind that I get from just the basic tenants of spirituality.

~Sandra Bernhard

I am still comfortable with my body, because I'm like, What's not to be comfortable with? I mean, it's just my nature.

~Sandra Bernhard

The live show is different from the album. It's different every night depending on where I am and how many months have gone by since I

last performed.

~Sandra Bernhard

I don't like going back and listening to myself. It makes me uncomfortable, and I know I can never emulate what I did that night, so why listen to it?

~Sandra Bernhard

It's depressing sitting at a comedy club all night, waiting to get on to do your five or ten minutes of material.

~Sandra Bernhard

You can't just try to be a performer. It's in your DNA. I really believe that it's either what you are or it's not at all.

~Sandra Bernhard

As a kid, I loved being loved, and still do. Who doesn't love being loved?

~Sandra Bernhard

I love performing. I love being a provocateur. I love putting myself in situations that are uncomfortable and that I have to get out of.

~Sandra Bernhard

Growing up in the '60s and the '70s, things certainly seemed more simplistic and easier to digest.

~Sandra Bernhard

I believe in people living their lives and having privacy.

~Sandra Bernhard

For most of my relationships, I would have liaisons, and I would feel guilty.

~Sandra Bernhard

I get happier every day. I have a sense of accomplishment every day of my life.

~Sandra Bernhard

I hate to judge everybody across the board.

~Sandra Bernhard

I would be dishonorable in a relationship because I wasn't getting what I wanted from that person.

~Sandra Bernhard

I'll take on somebody if they're offending the entire culture, not just offending me.

~Sandra Bernhard

Hip doesn't really come into play anymore as far as I can tell.

~Sandra Bernhard

I've always gotten myself overly involved in supporting other women who've not always been as supportive in return.

~Sandra Bernhard

The fumes are killing us, and we wonder why things are going haywire.

~Sandra Bernhard

There will come a day when Anne Heche will be straight again.

~Sandra Bernhard

When you're collaborating with somebody who's got a lot of stuff they haven't worked out yet, you're working out their vision as well.

~Sandra Bernhard

You reach a certain point in your 30s when you say things in a much safer way.

~Sandra Bernhard

There's this whole sense of judgment and who's right and who's wrong and who's moral and who's going to be punished.

~Sandra Bernhard

I'm somebody who can absorb a lot.

~Sandra Bernhard

Onstage, I'm still wearing my fabulous, sheer dresses because I'm not that big.

~Sandra Bernhard

I'm the only actress in Hollywood who didn't pay to have these lips.

~Sandra Bernhard

They want families to come to New York and go to the theater, so the theater is all geared toward family entertainment. It's money, you know.

~Sandra Bernhard

I try to avoid people's eyes because I don't like to get that intimate with just anybody. I don't need the responsibility.

~Sandra Bernhard

Things are so scary and intimidating with AIDS and the right wing that people are looking for somebody to just give them safe harbors.

~Sandra Bernhard

I was really going through a transition in my life. I was tired of feeling victimized by my career.

~Sandra Bernhard

I'm a sexual person. A lot of different people turn me on and have over

the years, and I've always wanted to make it very clear that this was not coming from some sort of antimale point of view.

~Sandra Bernhard

I don't consider myself a comic but a performer. A comic tells bad jokes.

~Sandra Bernhard

I like the energy of live performance.

~Sandra Bernhard

A remembrance can mean nothing to the one remembered; it can only remind the ones left behind how little they did while you were still alive.

~Sandra Bernhard

Personally, I'm waiting for caller IQ.

~Sandra Bernhard

I'm sure that Jesus was an incredible person.

~Sandra Bernhard

I think Bush is amateurish and self-serving, and frankly, it's disgusting.

~Sandra Bernhard

When you have a knowledge of history, it's very soothing. When there's continuity in your life, it's soothing.

~Sandra Bernhard

I'm very much an optimist. I don't think I could do my work if I didn't believe there was some kind of hope for humanity.

~Sandra Bernhard

I love National Geographic. Just when you think you've seen the last lost native tribe, National Geographic will find a new one.

~Sandra Bernhard

It's usually a spiritual thing that's preventing somebody from having happiness.

~Sandra Bernhard

New York has always been a sense of eclectic kind of freedom and expression on a lot of different levels.

~Sandra Bernhard

Kids need to be educated about sex and sexuality and if they're going to have sex, learn how to protect themselves and not get pregnant.

~Sandra Bernhard

If I've learned anything in my 30s, it's about holding back a little bit.

~Sandra Bernhard

If you want to dig, if you want to pry, do it on your time, but I'm going to be a woman of dignity.

~Sandra Bernhard

In the late '60s and '70s, when feminism was on the up sweep, there was an awareness of things that we're losing again.

~Sandra Bernhard

I'm not saying I'm some high priestess. I do things, I'm sure, that are damaging, but it's certainly not on purpose.

~Sandra Bernhard

I am always hoping to do another CD. This atmosphere has been difficult.

~Sandra Bernhard

I tend to go against the grain because when I start to see that

everybody's trying to shock, I try not to. I just do stuff that's subtler, more emotional, and I think that shocks people.

~Sandra Bernhard

It's up to couples, to individuals, to have a trust between each other.

~Sandra Bernhard

I've always loved being at the eye of the storm creatively with people that I find exciting and glamorous. So sometimes I got sidetracked in my career and maybe I would have done more TV or film.

~Sandra Bernhard

I can't tell you 100 percent what makes a relationship work. But I can see something good coming and I can see something bad coming.

~Sandra Bernhard

I don't want someone coming in and passing judgment on my life.

~Sandra Bernhard

Lots of people think that bisexual means cowardly lesbian.

~Sandra Bernhard

I didn't belong when I was in high school. Now people are trying to buy lips.

~Sandra Bernhard

I certainly wish Gov. Palin no harm. I'd just like her to explain to me how she can hold such outrageous views...and then go back to Alaska.

~Sandra Bernhard

You don't need to be famous to live a life as an artist.

~Sandra Bernhard

On one side you have book burners, Congressional wives and Pat

Robertson. On the other side, you have vulgar comedians, foul-mouthed rap groups and Dennis Hopperâ€”all your choices should be so easy.

~Sandra Bernhard

Unfortunately, most college kids these days aren't coming from any place-they seem to ask the same kind of questions over and over again.

~Sandra Bernhard

My family wasn't the Brady Bunch. They were the Broody Bunch.

~Sandra Bernhard

Be who you are and I'll be who I am. I refuse to take sides, because everybody has their story.

~Sandra Bernhard

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