

Scott Hamilton Quotes

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The only disability in life is a bad attitude.

~Scott Hamilton

And the fact that I liked to show off and be the center of attention really lends itself to figure skating very well.

~Scott Hamilton

And so figure skating was a great vehicle for me to kind of be competitive at something, without having to be big.

~Scott Hamilton

Male figure skating is different than female figure skating; we're not America's sweetheart.

~Scott Hamilton

The high road is always respected. Honesty and integrity are always rewarded.

~Scott Hamilton

Half of figure skating is opinion, convincing judges.

~Scott Hamilton

Adversity, and perseverance and all these things can shape you. They can give you a value and a self-esteem that is priceless.

~Scott Hamilton

Most other competitions are individual achievements, but the Olympic Games is something that belongs to everybody.

~Scott Hamilton

I don't want to look back-I want to keep looking ahead. I'd hate for my defining moment to be my past.

~Scott Hamilton

Everything that I've ever been able to accomplish in skating and in life has come out of adversity and perseverance.

~Scott Hamilton

Memories just get richer with time.

~Scott Hamilton

I had a ninth grade teacher who told me I was much smarter and much better than I was allowing myself to be.

~Scott Hamilton

A bad attitude is the only true handicap.

~Scott Hamilton

Always try to maintain complete tolerance and always make an effort to give people more than they expect.

~Scott Hamilton

I was more interested in skating and the girls and traveling than I was in calculus.

~Scott Hamilton

I started skating and I kind of liked it because I could run circles around the guys that wouldn't pick me to play baseball.

~Scott Hamilton

Fame is a very confusing thing, because you are recognized by a lot of people that you've never seen before, and they're at a great advantage.

~Scott Hamilton

I didn't want to be the sissy figure skater, you know.

~Scott Hamilton

When you turn professional, you become an entertainer, and like every other entertainer, you don't want to get a bad review.

~Scott Hamilton

I graduated at the top of my class in the '84 Olympic Games; I won a gold medal.

~Scott Hamilton

So as an amateur Olympic competitor I loved criticism, because it made me better. But now as a professional I don't really know how to channel it or where to take it, so I don't take it quite as well.

~Scott Hamilton

I was nine-years-old when I first put on skates.

~Scott Hamilton

I just try to touch people's hearts in a way through skating, so they're not just witnessing a performance, they're feeling a performance and they're a part of it.

~Scott Hamilton

Each movement is only learned after you've perfected the one before it.

~Scott Hamilton

When you're expected to win and you have the press saying that you are going to win the Olympic gold medal, and you're the only sure thing in the Olympics, it can undermine your confidence.

~Scott Hamilton

Rationality is not one of this industry's attributes.

~Scott Hamilton

From the fall of October, 1980 to March, 1984 I never lost a

competition.

~Scott Hamilton

I'm very accessible. I don't get into this ego thing.

~Scott Hamilton

Refined indifference is a sports psychology precept: train like there's no tomorrow and then accept whatever happens. Once you step on the field realize that whatever is meant to be is meant to be.

~Scott Hamilton

I don't think most teachers realize how much impact they have.

~Scott Hamilton

But I never really thought that I would be extraordinarily successful at skating, it's just something that happened, you know.

~Scott Hamilton

The Olympics in '80 was phenomenal. It was my favorite memory of all competitive events, because it was brand new and it was exciting.

~Scott Hamilton

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