

# Scott Kahn Quotes

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Song, Paint, Mean, Country, Honesty, Expression, Asking, Wise, Moving,  
Deception, Avid*

Color, like everything else concerning visual expression, usually boils down to a gift, an innate sensibility and sensitivity. Ultimately, artists develop their own palette and color sense.

~Scott Kahn

Self-deceit is a most damaging trait. The remedy, for an artist, is to paint a self-portrait!

~Scott Kahn

I don't approve of what Wall Street and the wealthy have done to this country, but they are the very ones buying my paintings.

~Scott Kahn

The voice will always be heard, even if the song is very different.

~Scott Kahn

Selling is not a static activity.

~Scott Kahn

Let us not forget that group of self-taught, outsider artists who never stepped foot in any classroom and cared less about even exhibiting, and yet ended up with an audience of avid admirers.

~Scott Kahn

I paint with a language I can call my own... it takes a ruthless honesty with oneself. If one admires or is influenced by anyone else, one is not being true to oneself.

~Scott Kahn

No amount of virtuosic skill and choice of subject matter can be a substitute for depth and poetry.

~Scott Kahn

The art which speaks to a universal audience concerns itself with the

'big' questions of life and death, and delivers its message with unrelenting and powerful emotion.

~Scott Kahn

Becoming an artist cannot be taught. A degree and diligence is not a guarantee that one can become an 'artist.

~Scott Kahn

Art springs from life but it doesn't mean we have to be tyrannized by it.

~Scott Kahn

Preconceived notions and rules are antithetical to the creative process.

~Scott Kahn

What the artist should be asking is, "Am I being honest? Am I being myself? Am I searching for the truth? Am I reporting my experience of life and the world as I see and experience it?"

~Scott Kahn

I don't think it's wise to manufacture a painting, just for the sake of working... if the impulse isn't truly there, the painting will lack power.

~Scott Kahn

The art business is a rarified business and appeals to an audience capable of spending money on a luxury. Too often the atmosphere in a gallery borders on snobbishness.

~Scott Kahn

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