

Sebastiao Salgado

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It's more important for a photographer to have very good shoes, than to have a very good camera

~Sebastiao Salgado

The picture is not made by the photographer, the picture is more good or less good in function of the relationship that you have with the people you photograph.

~Sebastiao Salgado

The language that photography has is a formal language. Any photographer is doing something formal. If it's formal, then it must be an aesthetic way to communicate.

~Sebastiao Salgado

I don't believe a person has a style. What people have is a way of photographing what is inside them. What is there comes out.

~Sebastiao Salgado

In GENESIS, my camera allowed nature to speak to me. And it was my privilege to listen.

~Sebastiao Salgado

I'm not an artist. An artist makes an object. Me, it's not an object, I work in history, I'm a storyteller.

~Sebastiao Salgado

I believe that the average person can help a lot, not by giving material goods but by participating, by being part of the discussion, by being truly concerned about what is going on in the world.

~Sebastiao Salgado

I try with my pictures to raise a question, to provoke a debate, so that we can discuss problems together and come up with solutions.

~Sebastiao Salgado

What I want is to create a discussion about what is happening around the world and to provoke some debate with these pictures. Nothing more than this.

~Sebastiao Salgado

I tell a little bit of my life to them, and they tell a little of theirs to me. The picture itself is just the tip of the iceberg.

~Sebastiao Salgado

Let's build Paradise again.

~Sebastiao Salgado

Photography is full of symbolism, it's a symbolic language. You have to be able to materialize all your thoughts in one single image.

~Sebastiao Salgado

I don't want anyone to appreciate the light or the palette of tones. I want my pictures to inform, to provoke discussion - and to raise money.

~Sebastiao Salgado

I looked through a lens and ended up abandoning everything else.

~Sebastiao Salgado

For me, art is such a wide concept - anything can be art.

~Sebastiao Salgado

It's not the photographer who makes the picture, but the person being photographed.

~Sebastiao Salgado

My way of photographing is my way of life. I photograph from my experience, my way of seeing things.

~Sebastiao Salgado

We live in a society where we never prepare people to be a community.

~Sebastiao Salgado

I'm not a religious person. The language of photography is symbolic.

~Sebastiao Salgado

I have tried to bring about better communication between people. I believe that humanitarian photography is like economics. Economy is a kind of sociology, as is documentary photography.

~Sebastiao Salgado

I work on stories rather than individual pictures.

~Sebastiao Salgado

I have two children. I have a Down syndrome child whom I love very much, and my wife that I love.

~Sebastiao Salgado

There comes a moment when it is no longer you who takes the photograph, but receives the way to do it quite naturally and fully.

~Sebastiao Salgado

I discovered that close to half the planet is 'pristine.' We live in towns such as London, Paris or Sao Paulo and have the impression that all the pristine areas are gone, but they are not.

~Sebastiao Salgado

I am a former economist. I never went to photography school to learn photography.

~Sebastiao Salgado

I have been photographing the portrait of an end of an era, as machines and computers replace human workers. What we have in

these pictures is an archeology.

~Sebastiao Salgado

Of course I will continue photography. I love photography. But when you become old, it's too much.

~Sebastiao Salgado

The light in Alaska in particular is so beautiful. So beautiful! Such incredible light.

~Sebastiao Salgado

Of course, I won't be abandoning photography, because it is my life.

~Sebastiao Salgado

You photograph with all your ideology.

~Sebastiao Salgado

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