

Sharmeen Obaid-Chinoy

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It doesn't matter who you are or where you come from - if you put quality work out there, it will be appreciated.

~Sharmeen Obaid-Chinoy

What good is my parents' wealth and education and upbringing if I'm not contributing to the world?

~Sharmeen Obaid-Chinoy

As filmmakers, you're not working on just one project, you're producing something, directing something, shooting something, and so it becomes hard to do it by yourself.

~Sharmeen Obaid-Chinoy

I'd like to do a film in Canada, but it's too difficult. National Film Board funding takes too long, and there's too much paperwork; by the time the film is approved the topic is dead and gone.

~Sharmeen Obaid-Chinoy

I became a documentary filmmaker because I wanted to make socially conscious films. I never studied filmmaking - everything I have learned has been on the field.

~Sharmeen Obaid-Chinoy

I hope I can make Pakistan proud by bringing home an Oscar.

~Sharmeen Obaid-Chinoy

By bringing the voices of the ordinary people faced with extraordinary challenges to television screens around the world, I hope to affect change in one community at a time.

~Sharmeen Obaid-Chinoy

The Pakistani government and its allies must overhaul their policies in Pakistan.

~Sharmeen Obaid-Chinoy

When I'm not working on the ground, spending time with my husband and daughter puts me at ease.

~Sharmeen Obaid-Chinoy

It takes one second to ruin a woman's life.

~Sharmeen Obaid-Chinoy

When you play music, you don't need a language. Music is a language.

~Sharmeen Obaid-Chinoy

By giving our audience intimate access to the lives of musicians, we hope to raise awareness of the region's beautiful cultural heritage and present a more nuanced portrait of its people.

~Sharmeen Obaid-Chinoy

Music is a universal language.

~Sharmeen Obaid-Chinoy

In terms of Saving Face, I was inspired by the stories of survivors who didn't let their attacks stop them from pursuing justice and seeking treatment.

~Sharmeen Obaid-Chinoy

My family restores my sense of ease and keeps me balanced.

~Sharmeen Obaid-Chinoy

Education liberates a woman.

~Sharmeen Obaid-Chinoy

I believe in telling the truth.

~Sharmeen Obaid-Chinoy

Working in any country where you want to talk about the kind of issues

that other people don't want to talk about is difficult.

~Sharmeen Obaid-Chinoy

Don't give up your dreams.

~Sharmeen Obaid-Chinoy

My films are motivated by a keen interest in highlighting issues that affect marginalized populations who are caught in difficult circumstances.

~Sharmeen Obaid-Chinoy

Pakistan destroyed its own reputation. If anything, I have improved Pakistan's image.

~Sharmeen Obaid-Chinoy

My topics are timely. When an event is happening is when I want to be there... I think it is our duty to challenge the status quo.

~Sharmeen Obaid-Chinoy

An Academy Award nomination is stuff dreams are made of.

~Sharmeen Obaid-Chinoy

I'm generally quite an angry person, and I like to channel my anger toward something creative.

~Sharmeen Obaid-Chinoy

All the women in Pakistan working for change, don't give up on your dreams, this is for you.

~Sharmeen Obaid-Chinoy

I don't think I'll be making documentaries my whole life.

~Sharmeen Obaid-Chinoy

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