

Shepard Fairey

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Creating is about sharing ideas, sharing aesthetics, sharing what you believe in with other people.

~Shepard Fairey

The sticker has no meaning, but exists only to cause people to react, to contemplate and search for meaning.

~Shepard Fairey

Public art is ephemeral by nature. Google 's new project not only catalogs an artist's work but archives it and allows people to see the art long after it has disappeared.

~Shepard Fairey

I'm mischievous. The idea of taking risks and having real-world consequences energizes me.

~Shepard Fairey

The way I make art, the way a lot of people make art, is as an extension of language and communication, where references are incredibly important.

~Shepard Fairey

I think the freedom to express one's views is more important than intellectual property.

~Shepard Fairey

Why is non-commercial public expression considered criminal?

~Shepard Fairey

I've never really considered myself just a street artist. I consider myself a populist.

~Shepard Fairey

Art is not always meant to be decorative or soothing, in fact, it can

create uncomfortable conversations and stimulate uncomfortable emotions.

~Shepard Fairey

I've never had an original thought in my life and there's tons of people on the internet happy to tell me just that.

~Shepard Fairey

Every spoof gives more power to the original.

~Shepard Fairey

MY INSPIRATION FOR THIS LIMITED EDITION DESIGN WAS BASED ON THE LEGACY OF HENNESSY AS A BRAND. TO ME, HENNESSY HAS ALWAYS BEEN ABOUT QUALITY, AUTHENTICITY, TRADITION, AND ELEGANCE.

~Shepard Fairey

If being original means having to throw paint in front of a jet turbine to hit a canvas 50 ft away then lets not be original.

~Shepard Fairey

As a street artist, I'm used to sharing my stuff with the public. It's a communal experience. I've learned not to be so precious, but rather to enjoy the process.

~Shepard Fairey

The great thing about the Internet is, it has made it easier for people who are clever and resourceful to promote themselves.

~Shepard Fairey

I think the biggest thing that people fear when it comes to art becoming a business is those authentic, pure aspirations of art being compromised.

~Shepard Fairey

Just because you've reached a certain level of success, that doesn't mean you've become corrupted by the system.

~Shepard Fairey

The world has lost a great musician who will always be an inspiration to me and those at OBEY GIANT.

~Shepard Fairey

I try to find a balance between positivity and negativity, celebration and critique in my work; I think there is room for both.

~Shepard Fairey

I think "punk" should really be defined as paving your own way creatively and by defying any sort of orthodoxy or commercial pressure.

~Shepard Fairey

I love the classic trucker jacket as an icon of rock 'n' roll and rebellion.

~Shepard Fairey

I wear some of my stuff, but usually the less in-your-face designs. I get a little self conscious, there is a fine line between pride and ego.

~Shepard Fairey

A lot of people felt defeated and hopeless by Trump's election. But I feel his election should energize people to resist apathy, ignorance, sexism, xenophobia, and racism.

~Shepard Fairey

There's good and bad in every arena. It's funny, some people, the reason they're in the underground is because they're lazy and don't make things happen for themselves.

~Shepard Fairey

The problem with copyright enforcement is that when the parameters aren't incredibly well defined, it means big corporations, who have deeper pockets and better lawyers, can bully people.

~Shepard Fairey

The social and political issues the world faces are bigger than a few leaders. I made a lot of work about corporate influence in government, which is a problem in both parties and under any president.

~Shepard Fairey

If the idea that my safety can only be enhanced by putting other people's privacy and safety in danger, then I don't want to be more safe.

~Shepard Fairey

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