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I took some classes in sign language when I was in my early teens because I was told that I would be completely deaf very early. But I never really wanted to learn.

~Stephanie Beacham

I can not remember even thinking that I was deaf when I was dancing.

~Stephanie Beacham

But as far as my work is concerned, I see no impediment, and various advantages, to being deaf.

~Stephanie Beacham

One of the reasons I wanted to teach deaf children was because it made me very sad that they spoke so clumsily and that they moved with less grace that I knew was possible of deaf people.

~Stephanie Beacham

Nothing is going to improve my hearing. I've only got to prevent it from getting worse.

~Stephanie Beacham

I genuinely enjoy talking one-to-one. I have no shyness about that.

~Stephanie Beacham

I think the deafness affects me more than I realise I think it makes me more tired. I loathe parties. I attend, smile and leave.

~Stephanie Beacham

I'm the one by the backdoor - I am not the one in the middle of the party.

~Stephanie Beacham

When I got into the Royal Academy of Dramatic Art, a doctor told me to give up the course as I'd be totally deaf within a couple of years. But I

## refused to give in.

~Stephanie Beacham

People keep asking me if I'll marry again. It's as if after you've had one car crash you want another.

~Stephanie Beacham

We all live in fear of cancer, but to be told you have skin cancer was terrifying.

~Stephanie Beacham

My worst holiday was in Athens when I was a young drama student at Rada in 1965. I ran out of money. I had my things stolen and I wasn't able to speak a word of the language.

~Stephanie Beacham

I'm lucky that most of the time I'm on location in amazing places. Most of the time, I don't need holidays, I just stop working.

~Stephanie Beacham

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