

Stephen Graham Jones

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Angels, demons, sex. Heaven, hell, war. Blood and royalty, history and magic, fire and ice. And a story you cannot put down. This is fantasy at its best.

~Stephen Graham Jones

This is what noir is, what it can be when it stops playing nice--blunt force drama stripped down to the bone, then made to dance across the page.

~Stephen Graham Jones

Craft can get you through ninety percent of a piece, but it's art that carries you at the end.

~Stephen Graham Jones

Life's so much easier when you're not always maintaining two worlds: the one formed of lies, which feels real, and the one you live in, which often feels like lies. So easy to get them confused.

~Stephen Graham Jones

The truth is, poverty's the environment for alcoholism, and the reservations aren't rich. Maybe cleaning people up in fiction is just as dangerous as presenting them unfiltered.

~Stephen Graham Jones

Writing, of course, it's not all in your head. Not talking about the 'manual' act of typing here either, but that, when your fiction's really working, your whole body's involved, and then some.

~Stephen Graham Jones

What the readers want is a good story, and what the writers always want to luck into, it's a good story.

~Stephen Graham Jones

Football's another sport I absolutely despise. Along with baseball.

Really, for me, basketball's the only real sport, the only one that matters.

~Stephen Graham Jones

Art isn't and shouldn't be responsible. If it is, it isn't functioning as art.

~Stephen Graham Jones

I do love the challenge of screenplays. They're so difficult, such an alien form. It makes them endlessly fascinating. Something I can't keep my fingers out of.

~Stephen Graham Jones

This is form and content and diction and tone and imagination all looking up at the exact same moment: When Molly Tanzer claps once at the front of the classroom.

~Stephen Graham Jones

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