

Steve Martin

Quotes

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A day without sunshine is like, you know, night.

~Steve Martin

Before you criticize a man, walk a mile in his shoes. That way, when you do criticize him, you'll be a mile away and have his shoes.

~Steve Martin

Talking about music is like dancing about architecture.

~Steve Martin

I believe the United States should allow all foreigners in this country, provided they can speak our native language... Apache.

~Steve Martin

Be so good they can't ignore you.

~Steve Martin

I think I did pretty well, considering I started out with nothing but a bunch of blank paper.

~Steve Martin

I thought yesterday was the first day of the rest of my life but it turns out today is.

~Steve Martin

Relationships end, but they don't end your life. But people do often spending more time finding out about failed relationships than finding successful ones.

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~Steve Martin

Some people have a way with words, and other people...oh, uh, not

have way.

~Steve Martin

Thankfully, perseverance is a good substitute for talent.

~Steve Martin

I believe Ronald Reagan can make this country what it once was... an Arctic region covered with ice.

~Steve Martin

I believe in equality. Equality for everybody. No matter how stupid they are or how superior I am to them.

~Steve Martin

First the doctor told me the good news: I was going to have a disease named after me.

~Steve Martin

I believe that sex is one of the most beautiful, natural, wholesome things that money can buy.

~Steve Martin

A father carries pictures where his money used to be.

~Steve Martin

All I've ever wanted was an honest week's pay for an honest day's work.

~Steve Martin

What is comedy? Comedy is the art of making people laugh without making them puke.

~Steve Martin

The greatest thing you can do is surprise yourself.

~Steve Martin

When I die, now don't think that I'm a nut, don't want no fancy funeral, just one like old King Tut.

~Steve Martin

I have found that-- just as in real life--imagination sometimes has to stand in for experience.

~Steve Martin

When your hobbies get in the way of your work - that's OK; but when your hobbies get in the way of themselves... well.

~Steve Martin

Always make room for the unexpected in yourself.

~Steve Martin

How many people have never raised their hand before?

~Steve Martin

I believe entertainment can aspire to be art, and can become art, but if you set out to make art you're an idiot.

~Steve Martin

It's not the size of the nose that matters, it's what's inside that counts.

~Steve Martin

Acting is collaborative because you are working with another actor, and it's almost like a two-man juggling team. You have to really be in sync.

~Steve Martin

Being on Twitter is like having a fern.

~Steve Martin

The banjo is such a happy instrument--you can't play a sad song on the banjo - it always comes out so cheerful.

~Steve Martin

I cannot smell mothballs because it's so difficult to get their little legs apart.

~Steve Martin

Don't have sex man. It leads to kissing and pretty soon you have to start talking to them.

~Steve Martin

You can't really conduct your life by one or two phrases.

~Steve Martin

I was deeply unhappy, but I didn't know it because I was so happy all the time.

~Steve Martin

Thankfully, persistence is a great substitute for talent.

~Steve Martin

Writer's block is a fancy term made up by whiners so they can have an excuse to drink alcohol.

~Steve Martin

Through the years, I have learned there is no harm in charging oneself up with delusions between moments of valid inspiration.

~Steve Martin

Love is a promise delivered already broken.

~Steve Martin

I handed in a script last year and the studio didn't change one word.

The word they didn't change was on page 87.

~Steve Martin

...a young man, Jamaican, perhaps, his head circled in a scarf with sunbleached dreadlocks on piled on top, looking like a plate of soft-shell crabs.

~Steve Martin

The conscious mind is the editor, and the subconscious mind is the writer.

~Steve Martin

Hosting the Oscars is much like making love to a woman. It's something I only get to do when Billy Crystal is out of town.

~Steve Martin

... you're nuts but you're welcome here.

~Steve Martin

Chaos in the midst of chaos isn't funny, but chaos in the midst of order is.

~Steve Martin

I've got to keep breathing. It'll be my worst business mistake if I don't.

~Steve Martin

I just downloaded eleven hundred books onto my Kindle, and now I can't lift it.

~Steve Martin

Boy, those French: they have a different word for everything!

~Steve Martin

It's pain that changes our lives.

~Steve Martin

I was always very shy but as I get older I think, What am I being shy for? You just grow weary of your own hang-ups.

~Steve Martin

Anyone who's ever worked with Meryl Streep always says the same thing: can that woman act! And what's with all the Hitler memorabilia?

~Steve Martin

You know what your problem is, it's that you haven't seen enough movies - all of life's riddles are answered in the movies.

~Steve Martin

She tried to get even with him through psychological warfare but couldn't, because he didn't care.

~Steve Martin

An apology? Bah! Disgusting! Cowardly! Beneath the dignity of any gentleman, however wrong he might be.

~Steve Martin

There's no better way to learn something than to learn it in front of an audience. Your terror drives you.

~Steve Martin

I'm not trying to be a big shot or anything like that, but I get my drinks half price.

~Steve Martin

You know that look that women get when they want to have sex? Me neither.

~Steve Martin

I saw the movie, 'Crouching Tiger, Hidden Dragon' and was surprised because I didn't see any tigers or dragons. And then I realized why: they're crouching and hidden.

~Steve Martin

You know when you're telling these little stories? Here's a good idea: have a point. It makes it so much more interesting for the listener!

~Steve Martin

When someone less capable is ahead of me, I am not pleased. It makes me insane.

~Steve Martin

I could never be a woman, 'cause I'd just stay home and play with my breasts all day.

~Steve Martin

There is one thing I would break up over, and that is if she caught me with another woman. I won't stand for that.

~Steve Martin

introductions are hard to come by when your natural state is shyness

~Steve Martin

How to make a million dollars: First, get a million dollars

~Steve Martin

I'm for the Wall Street Occupiers. But will they accept me when they find out I sell packaged mortgage default instruments to children?

~Steve Martin

I got a flue shot and now my chimney works perfectly.

~Steve Martin

I can't smell moth balls, I find it too difficult to get their tiny legs apart

~Steve Martin

It's not what you know, it's what you think you know.

~Steve Martin

A kiss may not be the truth, but it is what we wish were true.

~Steve Martin

I cringe at backstory. Because it never quite explains or gets into some psychological thing that is never quite right and never quite the truth and who knows why someone is someday.

~Steve Martin

...it is not the big events that hurt the most but rather the smallest questionable shift in tone at the end of a spoken word that can plow most deeply into the heart.

~Steve Martin

You have to get comfortable [with your work], you really have to know what you're doing, and it has to be almost boring to you to be able to do it well.

~Steve Martin

I'm not a human being. I'm despicable and disgusting - but that's where the money is.

~Steve Martin

A celebrity is any well-known TV or movie star who looks like he spends more than two hours working on his hair.

~Steve Martin

The Apple Pie Hubbub was a significant novel for me, because that's when I first started using verbs.

~Steve Martin

Always do business as if the person you're doing business with is trying to screw you, because he probably is. And if he's not, you can be pleasantly surprised.

~Steve Martin

I guess I wouldn't believe in anything if it weren't for my lucky astrology mood watch.

~Steve Martin

I think there are people out there writing original bluegrass songs, but it's hard to get them out on the air.

~Steve Martin

Comedy may be big business but it isn't pretty.

~Steve Martin

I just wanted to be in show business. I didn't care if I was going to be an actor or a magician or what. Comedy was a point of the least resistance, really. And on the simplest level, I loved comedy.

~Steve Martin

The real joy is in constructing a sentence. But I see myself as an actor first because writing is what you do when you are ready and acting is what you do when someone else is ready.

~Steve Martin

I'm always looking for something to engage my imagination and take me on a little mental voyage. I just want a new topic in my life.

~Steve Martin

I was very interested in vaudeville. It was the only sort of discipline that was a five-minute act on stage, which is what I really enjoyed and saw

myself doing. And I bought books on it.

~Steve Martin

I've always believed that there are funny people everywhere, but they're just not comedians. In fact, some of my best comedic inspirations were not professional entertainers.

~Steve Martin

It's funny that some ideas start with a little "What if?" and then suddenly you're spending a million dollars to shoot the scene and hoping that it works.

~Steve Martin

Knowledge of means without knowledge of ends is animal training.

~Steve Martin

I'm enamored with the art world. Anytime you look at anything that's considered artistic, there's a commercial world around it: the ballet, opera, any kind of music. It can't exist without it.

~Steve Martin

If you're studying Geology, which is all facts, as soon as you get out of school you forget it all, but Philosophy you remember just enough to screw you up for the rest of your life.

~Steve Martin

You know, there's a moment when you're famous when it's unbearable to go out because you're too famous. And then there's a moment when you're famous just right.

~Steve Martin

In my banjo show with the Steep Canyon Rangers, I do do comedy during that show. It'd be absurd just to stand there mute and play 25 banjo songs.

~Steve Martin

The bluegrass community... can be very strict. I didn't know if I'd be welcomed into the bluegrass community or not, but I think they judge you very fairly... I felt really welcome.

~Steve Martin

I try not to think about legacy because it is all *Â*-folly. If you study history, even recent history, you'll find many people who were quite significant in their time but are completely forgotten.

~Steve Martin

I believe in eight of the ten commandments. I believe in going to church every Sunday... unless there's a game on.

~Steve Martin

Comedy is not pretty.

~Steve Martin

All of life's riddles are answered in the movies.

~Steve Martin

You know, you're really nobody in L.A. unless you live in a house with a really big door.

~Steve Martin

With comedy, you have no place to go but more comedy, so you're never off the hook.

~Steve Martin

She had destroyed whatever was between us by making a profound gaffe: She met me.

~Steve Martin

I was not naturally talented. I didn't sing, dance or act, though working around that minor detail made me inventive.

~Steve Martin

I like a woman with a head on her shoulders. I hate necks.

~Steve Martin

Awards mean nothing to comedians. What matters is the audience, how you're doing - artistically, for the most part - at that moment.

~Steve Martin

I like all kinds of music. I listen to Abigail Washburn, the Punch Brothers, and Marc Johnson, the great clawhammer player. I also listen a lot to Sirius Radio, there's a lot of bluegrass there.

~Steve Martin

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