

# Steve McQueen

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Racing is life. Everything else is just waiting.

~Steve McQueen

Sometimes you have to say goodbye to the things you know and hello to the things you dont.

~Steve McQueen

Every time I start thinking the world is all bad, then I start seeing people out there having a good time on motorcycles. It makes me take another look.

~Steve McQueen

I'm not sure that acting is something for a grown man to be doing.

~Steve McQueen

The world is as good as you are. You've got to learn to like yourself first.

~Steve McQueen

I believe in me. I'm a little screwed up, but I'm beautiful.

~Steve McQueen

When I believe in something, I fight like hell for it.

~Steve McQueen

I hope you find what you're looking for.

~Steve McQueen

I need to have a reason why I'm doing something. Otherwise I'm lost.

~Steve McQueen

The Navajos have a saying they live by: 'A land where there is time enough and room enough.' I want that, too.

~Steve McQueen

Everyone deserves not just to survive, but to live.

~Steve McQueen

I live for myself and answer to nobody

~Steve McQueen

I don't want to talk about nonsense because it doesn't help me.

~Steve McQueen

Sometimes you have to bend with the breeze or you break.

~Steve McQueen

If I hadn't made it as an actor, I might have wound up a hood.

~Steve McQueen

People try to contain things by putting them into categories. I don't.

~Steve McQueen

I liked being in the Marines. They gave me discipline I could live with. By the time I got out, I was able to cope with things on a more realistic level.

~Steve McQueen

Nobody trusts anyone, or why did they put tilt on a pinball machine.

~Steve McQueen

Acting is like racing, you need the same concentration. You have to reach inside you and bring forth a lot of broken glass. That's painful.

~Steve McQueen

Often the best way to relax is just to go back to work.

~Steve McQueen

I love creating images, of course, because I'm an artist.

~Steve McQueen

When a horse learns to buy martinis, I'll learn to like horses.

~Steve McQueen

One of the things that make motorcycling so great is because it never fails to give you a feeling of freedom and adventure.

~Steve McQueen

I worked hard, and if you work hard you get the goodies.

~Steve McQueen

When you're racing, it's life. Anything that happens before or after is just waiting.

~Steve McQueen

Anything that doesn't make sense, I don't want to give too much of my brain to.

~Steve McQueen

Stardom equals freedom. It's the only equation that matters.

~Steve McQueen

The camera movement should be like a cat jumping onto a table - with just enough amount of effort and that's it. That's enough.

~Steve McQueen

You see, I don't believe in that grabbin' and grabbin' and stuffin yourself and not givin' anythin' or puttin' it back.

~Steve McQueen

I always feel I'm an amateur. I don't most of the time know what I'm doing.

~Steve McQueen

I think as an actor, you're more like a dancer, and you have to use your body. I don't understand all these questions about nudity. It's a nonsense. He's an actor, an artist, so get on with it.

~Steve McQueen

The best thing about making films is the time spent making them. When I see works that I've made, I always think what a great time I had making them. The films remind me of that time.

~Steve McQueen

I really don't like to act. At the beginning, back in '51, I had to force myself to stick with it. I was real uncomfortable, real uncomfortable.

~Steve McQueen

I find it difficult to breathe when I'm in the space. There seems to be no oxygen. I want to put people into a situation where they're sensitive to themselves watching the piece.

~Steve McQueen

I'll never be as good an actor as I want to be....but I'll be good.

~Steve McQueen

I deal with certain things in my work because of who I am. I make work in order to make people think.

~Steve McQueen

I don't know why it (stardom) happened-but it's kinda nice. Maybe it's because I'm someone off the streets. Maybe people relate to me.

~Steve McQueen

The person is being confrontational.

~Steve McQueen

When I walk out into the street or go to the toilet, I don't think of myself

as being black. Of course, other people think of me as black when I walk into a pub. Obviously being black is a part of me.

~Steve McQueen

As far as art and filmmaking is concerned, I don't see there's any separation; it's just one continuous thing.

~Steve McQueen

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