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When you start to develop your powers of empathy and imagination, the whole world opens up to you.

~Susan Sarandon

I'm tired of being labelled anti-American because I ask questions.

~Susan Sarandon

I look forward to being older, when what you look like becomes less and less an issue and what you are is the point.

~Susan Sarandon

Children reinvent your world for you.

~Susan Sarandon

Happiness is the true beauty weapon.

~Susan Sarandon

I believe in using words, not fists.

~Susan Sarandon

It's important to just keep wanting whatever it is you want and fight for it, desperately.

~Susan Sarandon

It will be great when it's not such a big deal when a woman gets a good job.

~Susan Sarandon

We stand a chance of getting a president who has probably killed more people before he gets into office than any president in the history of the United States.

~Susan Sarandon

Making love is like hitting a baseball. You just gotta relax and

#### concentrate.

~Susan Sarandon

If you walk down the street and see someone in a box, you have a choice. That person is either the other and you're fearful of them, or that person is an extension of your family.

~Susan Sarandon

When you run into someone in NY it is usually a pleasant surprise. When you run into someone in LA you usually had a car accident.

~Susan Sarandon

It gets to be 2 a.m., and they hand you a bottle of whipped cream and some syrup and things start getting silly.

~Susan Sarandon

I try to live my life every day in the present, and try not to turn a blind eye to injustice and need.

~Susan Sarandon

Never root for a team whose uniforms have elastic stretch waistbands.

~Susan Sarandon

If you always have to be watching yourself and judging, I don't think you're as free.

~Susan Sarandon

When I tell people I'm a comedian they say, 'Oh, are you funny?' I say, 'No, it's not that kind of comedy.'

~Susan Sarandon

I think I'm an actor because I have very strong imagination and empathy. I never studied acting, but those two qualities are exactly the qualities that make for an activist.

~Susan Sarandon

It helps me chill out and focus.

~Susan Sarandon

If sexuality means saying yes to life, then you should be able to remain sexual until the day you die.

~Susan Sarandon

I feel my family's needs are a priority. I'm not comfortable with the idea of serving the many and ignoring my family.

~Susan Sarandon

Any time you step forward, someone gets upset.

~Susan Sarandon

With the most interesting directors, the cast comes together to make something magical that nobody counted on.

~Susan Sarandon

If you can just see all the children of the world as your own, all the mothers of the world as you are, we can make a huge difference.

~Susan Sarandon

At the end of your life, you are going to want to know that you made some kind of difference.

~Susan Sarandon

It's still not easy to find roles that offer more complex images of women.

~Susan Sarandon

On parochial school I was told I had an overabundance of original sin.

~Susan Sarandon

I've tried them all, I really have, and the only church that truly feeds the soul, day in, day out, is the Church of Baseball.

~Susan Sarandon

The only thing I can talk about is just forgiving yourself, because I do not have everything together. And so I tell people: No, you should see my house, it's a mess.

~Susan Sarandon

Like most parents in the US, they are trying, with a little help from UNICEF, to do the best they can to help their children reach their full potential.

~Susan Sarandon

I think it's very hard to be naked in a scene and not be upstaged by your nipples.

~Susan Sarandon

Before our kids start coming home from Iraq in body bags and women and children start dying in Baghdad, I need to know, what did Iraq do to us?

~Susan Sarandon

Do you really expect me to say gravity hasn't taken its toll? No. But as I'm earning these lines [in my face], I'm making an aesthetic choice.

~Susan Sarandon

I'm happy to be considered desirable. I love it!

~Susan Sarandon

If you're upset with how you look at 25, life's going to be tough.

~Susan Sarandon

It's a miracle when something actually turns out well because there are

so many ways for it to go wrong.

~Susan Sarandon

I don't think there's a petty system of heaven and hell. The love of God is much more forgiving. I'm not a believer in a wrathful God at all.

~Susan Sarandon

The only time I've really been away from my kids to do work was doing Shall We Dance because they both were in camp and it was the first time in twenty years that I haven't been with my kids.

~Susan Sarandon

Just because I haven't yet had any project surgery, I'm not going to knock it, because I think women have the right to do whatever they want to their bodies that make them feel good about themselves.

~Susan Sarandon

I hate the assumption that once you're committed to someone you stop treating each other like individuals. I like getting up knowing I am choosing to be with that person.

~Susan Sarandon

To each person, their own way of death - with dignity.

~Susan Sarandon

This is an amazing country, for all of its faults. My feeling is, dig in and let's try to change the world. Dissent is not only your right, it's your duty.

~Susan Sarandon

How will the bombing of Baghdad, a city of five million, accomplish a regime change?

~Susan Sarandon

My intent is to speak on behalf of those whose voices are less readily heard - children and women at risk

~Susan Sarandon

Sometimes what happens is that, when you micromanage actors and moments, it just doesn't quite live.

~Susan Sarandon

If Wes Anderson has a very strong cast, he can direct the minutia of that story and still manage to have something that lives and breathes.

~Susan Sarandon

I hesitate to direct even though I feel I contribute a lot on a set.

~Susan Sarandon

New York is very user-friendly if you don't want to be in a car all the time. It can also provide you with surprises because it's so compressed - if you walk around, you just find things.

~Susan Sarandon

I'm always trying to have a good time on set because that's when things happen. That's when you're playful.

~Susan Sarandon

Everyone has a responsibility towards this larger family of man, but especially if you're privileged, that increases your responsibility.

~Susan Sarandor

Most people are not affected by [the death penalty]. It's like how many people are actually sent to Iraq and Afghanistan? Such a small percentage.

~Susan Sarandor

I'm kind of a nerd, so whenever I get a chance to talk to an artist I really

admire, I tend to gravitate to process.

~Susan Sarandon

So I think (Obama) definitely has convinced people that he stands for change and for hope, and I can't wait to see what he stands for.

~Susan Sarandon

To become a lapsed Catholic, first go to a Catholic university.

~Susan Sarandon

We've legalized marijuana recently. Medical marijuana, but the rest will come.

~Susan Sarandon

I got married to Chris Sarandon, who was a graduate student, and he knew everything at that point, I thought, because he was older. He introduced me to poetry and black-and-white movies.

~Susan Sarandon

One night I looked down and my rosary beads were glowing. And I realized that I did not want to see the blessed Virgin - I was terrified.

~Susan Sarandon

I always had a problem with original sin; I always had a problem with the exclusivity of the church and a lot of the things that the nuns taught me.

~Susan Sarandon

That's one of my little expressions. I never really studied acting so I kind of kiddingly talk about "building your circle" and "mooding up," because I really didn't learn any technique.

~Susan Sarandon

It never really worked for me to have long arguments about motivation.

~Susan Sarandon

In the U.S., they just want to know who you're sleeping with.

~Susan Sarandon

That's the thing about independently minded children. You bring them up teaching them to question authority, and you forget that the very first authority they question is you.

~Susan Sarandon

I can't speak for other people, but for me, it never really worked to think something like, "What Beatle did she like in high school?" or those kinds of elaborate backstories.

~Susan Sarandon

I'd have conversations with the camera crew about what was going on in the scene, so that they were prepared to shoot it. I love the fact that when you work, you create this tribe.

~Susan Sarandon

You create this situation where you are so dependent on each other. That's especially true for film. In theater, the actor has much more say, much more control, for better or worse.

~Susan Sarandon

When Alan Rickman, a dear friend of mine, played villains, he always made it complicated. He didn't redeem what they did, but he made you feel that it was hard for them to be so horrible.

~Susan Sarandon

He has a very strong vision of what he wants.

~Susan Sarandon

I'm a native New Yorker. Everything to do with New York feels like my

## family.

~Susan Sarandon

It's a very exciting time in the history of this country, to even see people responding to a different way of doing business and really wanting to make a change.

~Susan Sarandon

I think looking at your own life, on- and offscreen, you can motivate anything, or you can delude yourself into anything.

~Susan Sarandon

There is no shortcut to grieving.

~Susan Sarandon

Somebody can be the captain of the ship, which allows you to make big mistakes.

~Susan Sarandon

I'll always rather be in a ship that's got a captain that has some vision.

~Susan Sarandon

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