

Tracy Letts Quotes

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All women need makeup. Don't let anybody tell you different. The only woman who was pretty enough to go without makeup was Elizabeth Taylor and she wore a ton.

~Tracy Letts

My last refuge, my books: simple pleasures, like finding wild onions by the side of a road, or requited love.

~Tracy Letts

Thank God we can't tell the future. We'd never get out of bed.

~Tracy Letts

Divorce is an embarrassing public admission of defeat.

~Tracy Letts

The window shades have all been removed. Nighttime is now free to encroach.

~Tracy Letts

I don't know what it says about me that I have a greater affinity with the damaged. Probably nothing good.

~Tracy Letts

What they frequently want to do with a movie is, they want to cut out the valleys and just show the peaks. And valleys are important; the valleys make the peaks stand out.

~Tracy Letts

If you're not entertaining, what the hell's the point?

~Tracy Letts

A certain giving up of control is good for the soul.

~Tracy Letts

We're all just people, some of us accidentally connected by genetics, a random selection of cells. Nothing more.

~Tracy Letts

In theater, the playwright is the boss, period. The decisions will go through him or her. In movies, the writer is pretty far down on the list.

~Tracy Letts

Sometimes my family thinks I've made my childhood a bit more Dickensian than it was, and it probably wasn't all that bad. But I was uncomfortable as a kid.

~Tracy Letts

I like Shakespeare, but I never know what the hell is going on.

~Tracy Letts

Time wounds all heals.

~Tracy Letts

I'm kind of perverse in that I think pessimism is helpful. My pessimism is my own kind of patriotism. My dissent.

~Tracy Letts

Listen to me: die after me, all right? I don't care what else you do, where you go, how you screw up your life, just... survive. Outlive me, please.

~Tracy Letts

I never know what the hell I'm writing about, I never know what the next thing I'm writing about is, I never have a plan.

~Tracy Letts

If you feel like you're in control of everything, and then things aren't going well, you feel like you're failing.

~Tracy Letts

I'm aware that a film is different than a play, and that a film isn't going to be the filmed record of the play. It's its own separate entity, and I've come to peace with that.

~Tracy Letts

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