

Vachel Lindsay

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Crush, Kansas, Deeds, Vision, Routine, Hands, Flower, Bitter, People, Girl,
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Life is a loom, weaving illusion.

~Vachel Lindsay

They tried to get me-I got them first! (suicide note)

~Vachel Lindsay

Never be a cynic, even a gentle one. Never help out a sneer, even at the devil.

~Vachel Lindsay

Change the fabric of your own soul and your own visions, and you change all.

~Vachel Lindsay

You can't crush ideas by suppressing them. You can only crush them by ignoring them.

~Vachel Lindsay

Authors and uncaptured criminals are the only people free from routine.

~Vachel Lindsay

How can we help students to understand that the tragedy of life is not death; the tragedy is to die with commitments undefined and convictions undeclared and service unfulfilled?

~Vachel Lindsay

They tried to get me - I got them first! [Suicide.]

~Vachel Lindsay

Except the Christ be born again tonight
In dreams of all men, saints and
sons of shame, The world will never see his kingdom bright.

~Vachel Lindsay

The only thing that a man may do that is new, is to write himself on human hearts.

~Vachel Lindsay

My life is unjust, but I can strive for justice. My life is unkind, but I can vote for kindness.

~Vachel Lindsay

I think on death as the apparent end of the illusions that encompass us. They all have a sudden and unexpected end, that challenges any faith we have pinned to their worth.

~Vachel Lindsay

To live in mankind is far more than to live in a name.

~Vachel Lindsay

The crooning turns to a sunrise singing.

~Vachel Lindsay

This is the sin against the Holy Ghost: - To speak of bloody power as right divine, And call on God to guard each vile chief's house, And for such chiefs, turn men to wolves and swine.

~Vachel Lindsay

Let not young souls be smothered out Before they do quaint deeds And fully flaunt their pride.

~Vachel Lindsay

God lead us past the setting of the sun To wizard islands, of august surprise; God make our blunders wise.

~Vachel Lindsay

Mumbo-Jumbo will hoo-doo you, Mumbo-Jumbo will hoo-doo you.
Mumbo . . . Jumbo . . . will . . . hoo-doo . . . you.

~Vachel Lindsay

Factory windows are always broken
Other windows are let alone.
No one throws through the chapel-window
The bitter, snarling, derisive stone.

~Vachel Lindsay

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