

Zola Jesus

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I started performing opera when I was 10 years old. I didn't perform as Zola Jesus until I was probably 18.

~Zola Jesus

I don't know why people think I'm a Goth - that's a misconception.

~Zola Jesus

It sounds kind of stupid, but I've never not wanted to be a musician. It's been inside me since I was little so I don't know what else I would do.

~Zola Jesus

The only reason I would write a break-up song is because my own problem of allowing myself to relate to people.

~Zola Jesus

When you fall in love, you become weak.

~Zola Jesus

I try to create songs that are really massive and intense, but at the same time remaining honest and raw.

~Zola Jesus

People don't really understand who I am. They always think that I'm very dark or depressed, but it couldn't be further from the truth!

~Zola Jesus

I don't find much influence in opera. It was such a different part of me.

~Zola Jesus

I think I'm making music that's pretty universal.

~Zola Jesus

There can only be one Queen Bey.

~Zola Jesus

You are born and then you die, but in between you can do anything you want. It's society that creates rules for us, but you can break out of that.

~Zola Jesus

The most important thing for us to do as beings is to be aware of our position in the world on a micro and macro level.

~Zola Jesus

I feel like humans are a disease. It's a hard thing to communicate in a pop song. I mean, who wants to hear that?

~Zola Jesus

My music started as a way to break through weaknesses - like anxiety, which was completely taking over my whole life, where I could barely function.

~Zola Jesus

No matter what you do, if there's something you're afraid of, you need to break through it.

~Zola Jesus

I like to remind myself that everything is meaningless.

~Zola Jesus

And my music is always such a release of what I feel inside, an impulse.

~Zola Jesus

The greatest benefit of being a solo performer is that it is seriously frightening, but at the same time very empowering. It's just you and the audience. All the weight is on you to deliver the songs.

~Zola Jesus

I know for sure that nothing matters.

~Zola Jesus

I feel like I am alone when I am in the presence of those I love. It is so freeing and comfortable, you become one with them.

~Zola Jesus

Everything I do is a reflection of the duality within me. Musically, I really love things that are very synthetic and unnatural. And I also like the organic and human... the intrinsic, I guess.

~Zola Jesus

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