



Quotes about Art

Artists and Writers in Terezin:

"My life in art has redeemed me from a thousand deaths. Through my painting, which I have practiced diligently, I have atoned for a guilt I do not know the origin of."

- **Friedl Dicker-Brandeis**

"This is how it looks, my child, the world you were born into...if you do not like this world, then you will have to change it."

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"When people are dead and their testimony is mute, art remains."

- **Arnost Lustig**

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- **Viktor Ullmann**

Modern Artists during World War II:

"Others have seen what is and have asked why. I have seen what could be and asked why not."

- **Pablo Picasso**

"Every act of creation is first an act of destruction."

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“The artist must work with the thought that the spectator can understand things half said, not completely described.”

- **Audree Masson**

“It doesn’t matter how the paint is put on, as long as something is said.”

- **Jackson Pollock**

Contemporary Artists

"Creating is about sharing ideas, sharing aesthetics, sharing what you believe in with other people."

-- **Shepard Fairey**

“The greatest crimes in the world are not committed by people breaking the rules but by people following the rules. It’s people who follow orders that drop bombs and massacre villages.”

- **Banksy**

“Art should comfort the disturbed and disturb the comfortable.”

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“Creativity is the power to reject the past, to change the status quo, and to seek new potential. Simply put, aside from using one’s imagination - perhaps more importantly - creativity is the power to act.”

- **Ai Weiwei**

“I want people to be able to imagine life outside of the circumscribed stereotype... Imagination allows you to bend the rules of the temporal world. I just want them to see that a more beautiful world exists beyond the confines of your environment.”

- **Amy Serrano**

And One Scientist

“The most beautiful thing we can experience is the mysterious. It is the source of all true art and science.”

- **Albert Einstein**

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