

LT TAKE-AWAYS: 1

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1. You need your audience a lot more than they need you.
Behave accordingly.
2. Study your heroes until you find out who their heroes are.
Then study them.
3. I'm your competition, and I'm not turning over my audience to you
because your mommy likes you.
4. Your parents didn't have you. They had sex, and you showed up.

5. Never be sick, tired or busy.
6. You are a chain, and your ability to be aware of and to work on your
weakest links will make you strong and compassionate.

7. See everything. Know nothing.
8. They won't accept your passion until they're held by your discipline.
9. Advocate bravely for the artistic compromises you had to make.

10. Practice (start now).
11. Do not assign to any person, place or thing your pain.
Own your broken heart.
12. You chose to be a creator. Don't complain.