

Create Your Own World Through Photography

What's poppin', people? It's Dante getting my morning started here in Fairmont Park, Philadelphia. Welcome to the Centennial District — a very historic district.

We got the Ohio House across the street, the Horticulture Center, the Japanese House, and Center City right nearby.

It's a very beautiful place to be — *just surrounded by nature's beauty*, where I'm surrounded by natural things throughout the entirety of my day.

I spend eight hours in a park and I thrive.

I thrive because of my spirit — **my spirit of play**, my **imaginative sense of being** — where I find that I create my own world through the medium of photography.

Whenever I have a camera in hand, I have this ability to **create a new world in a fraction of a second**.

And that's a very powerful thought.

"No matter how mundane things may seem, there is infinite wonder in the world when you create your own world through photography."

Thriving in the Mundane

I often think about this:

What if your fate was to eternally return to the same day over and over again?

Could you thrive?

Personally, I could.

I've designed my life in a way where everything feels like play. Everything feels effortless.

I'm immersed in my own world through the act of creation.

And through this, I achieve **flow state** — which is *very important*.

Protect Your Attention

In the modern world, distractions are endless.

That's why I encourage you to:

- Pay attention
- Spend your time on things worthy of your time
- Focus on creating value in your life

Life is short.

And if you were to eternally return to the same day, *wouldn't you want to thrive?*

Wouldn't you want to live fully today, instead of waiting for the future?

"When you realize life is finite, you want to immerse yourself in each fleeting moment and treat each breath like it's your last."

Create Your Own Version of Reality

Through an imaginative spirit of play, you can **thrive in the mundane**.

Photography gives me the ability to:

- Articulate the unknown
- Put order to chaos
- Create something out of nothing

"I'm not trying to photograph the world. I'm trying to make a new world."

No matter how boring life may seem, there is infinite novelty hidden beneath the surface.

But to see it, you have to strip away all the superfluous distractions —

Get off Instagram.

Stop consuming endless media.

Instead, *be present, cultivate your own reality* through:

- A positive attitude
- A strong mindset
- Curiosity and courage

Eager for Each Day

Ask yourself:

- Would you be eager to catch the sunrise every morning?
- Would you be grateful just to walk, to stand, to breathe fresh air?

This is the power of photography for me.

It gives me gratitude for the simplest pleasures in life.

"Photography allows me to depict not what life is, but what it could be."

Purpose Through Play

When I'm out on the streets, I have a purpose:

To set forth each day into the unknown, body in motion, no expectations.

Through the spirit of play, I enter flow state — effortless action, endless learning, and growing through the act of making photographs.

The camera is just an excuse to explore, to see, to abstract the world through black-and-white, and create my own new reality.

Through creating, I give meaning and purpose to life.
I don't need to travel far — I travel within my own perception.

"When you know yourself, you don't need to seek novelty outside. You find it within."

Infinite Bliss Through Creation

Every morning, I wake up with an insatiable lust for life —
Saying yes to life,
Saying *this life is beautiful*,
And championing everyday life through the medium of photography.

Because if you were to return eternally to the same day:

- Would you find it extraordinary?
- Or would you merely survive through the motions?

Thriving requires a curious mind, a transformed spirit, an elevated soul.
It demands finding the extraordinary within the ordinary.

"Through the act of creation, you make the mundane extraordinary."

Final Thoughts

Create your own world.

Immerse yourself in that world.

Find peace, find joy, and find infinite novelty — despite how mundane things may seem.

Because at the end of the day...

"Life is short, and creation makes it infinitely beautiful."

Cheers. 🍷