

# Who Was Nikola Tesla

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July 10

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Quotes of the day from previous years:

2004

You can't expect to wield supreme executive power just 'cause some watery tart threw a sword at you! ~ Michael Palin as "Dennis" in Monty Python and the Holy Grail

selected by Kalki

2005

All that was great in the past was ridiculed, condemned, combatted, suppressed — only to emerge all the more powerfully, all the more triumphantly from the struggle. ~ Nikola Tesla (born 10 July 1856)

proposed by Kalki

2006

The scientific man does not aim at an immediate result. He does not expect that his advanced ideas will be readily taken up. His work is like that of a planter — for the future. His duty is to lay the foundation of those who are to come and point the way. ~ Nikola Tesla (born 10 July 1856)

proposed by Kalki

2007

The only true voyage of discovery, the only fountain of Eternal Youth, would be not to visit strange lands but to possess other eyes, to behold the universe through the eyes of another, of a hundred others, to behold the hundred universes that each of them beholds, that each of them is. ~ Marcel Proust

proposed by InvisibleSun

2008

Science is but a perversion of itself unless it has as its ultimate goal the betterment of humanity. ~ Nikola Tesla

proposed by Kalki

2009

It is better that ten guilty persons escape, than that one innocent suffer. ~ William Blackstone

proposed by InvisibleSun

2010

Universal peace as a result of cumulative effort through centuries past might come into existence quickly — not unlike a crystal that suddenly forms in a solution which has been slowly prepared. ~ Nikola Tesla

proposed by Kalki

2011

When from a long-distant past nothing subsists, after the people are dead, after the things are broken and scattered, still, alone, more fragile, but with more vitality, more unsubstantial, more persistent, more faithful, the smell and taste of things remain poised a long time, like souls, ready to remind us, waiting and hoping for their moment, amid the ruins of all the rest; and bear unfaltering, in the tiny and almost impalpable drop of their essence, the vast structure of recollection. ~ Marcel Proust

proposed by InvisibleSun

2012

proposed by InvisibleSun

2013

proposed by Kalki

2014

proposed by Kalki

2015

proposed by Kalki

2016

proposed by Kalki

2017

proposed by Kalki

2018

proposed by Kalki

2019

proposed by Kalki, in regard to his recent death.

2020

proposed by Illegitimate Barrister

2021

proposed by Kalki

2022

proposed by Kalki

2023

proposed by InvisibleSun

2024

proposed by InvisibleSun

2025

proposed by Kalki

2026

Rank or add further suggestions...

Ranking system:

4 : Excellent - should definitely be used.

3 : Very Good - strong desire to see it used.

2 : Good - some desire to see it used.

1 : Acceptable - but with no particular desire to see it used.

0 : Not acceptable - not appropriate for use as a quote of the day.

Sanctuary (TV series)

*liked you. Nikola Tesla: Aw. Was it because I was a genius? Helen Magnus: No. Because you were an obnoxious ass. Nikola Tesla: Well, look who's still standing*

Sanctuary (2007-2011) is a webseries originally aired in 2007 that was later picked up by Syfy. The show centers on Dr. Helen Magnus and her team of specialists while they run the Sanctuary, an organization founded to help Abnormals.

Teslascope

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The Teslascope is a radio transceiver that was alleged to have been invented by Arthur Matthews, who knew and idolized Nikola Tesla, whom he also believed was extraterrestrial, for the purpose of communicating

with life on other planets.

Dresden Codak

*it Nikola Tesla: Here we live in paradise by grace of the anthropomorphic deity to whom we refuse to pay tribute or even acknowledge. Nikola Tesla: Also*

Dresden Codak is a webcomic created by Arryn Diaz. Described by Diaz as a "celebration of science, death and human folly", each comic generally focuses on a concept or theory from modern and postmodern philosophy, psychology, or science (particularly quantum physics). The presentation of concepts is surreal, generally to the chagrin of its chief protagonist, Kimiko.

Distance

*universal peaceful relations is — the complete ANNIHILATION OF DISTANCE. Nikola Tesla A Means of Furthering Peace (1905) When wireless is perfectly applied*

Distance usually refers to numerical measures of how far apart or close together objects are, based on a standard physical length, or estimations based on other criteria (e.g. "two counties over"). In mathematics, a distance function or metric is a way of describing what it means for elements of some space to be "close to" or "far away from" each other, according to a specific set of rules. In a more general sense it can refer to differing ranges of similarity, diversity, complexity or conceptual dimensionality, beyond those distinguished by any simple linear or numerical measures.

Edwin Howard Armstrong

*long time for Nikola Tesla's equal in achievement and imagination. As quoted in the The Tesla Museum exhibition in Belgrade, and by the Tesla Memorial Society*

Edwin Howard Armstrong (18 December 1890 – 31 March 1954) was an American engineer and the inventor of FM radio.

Value (ethics)

*little easier life. Nikola Tesla as quoted in "A Visit to Nikola Tesla" by Dragislav L. Petkovi? in Politika (April 1927); also in Tesla, Master of Lightning*

Value, in ethics, is a property of objects, including physical objects as well as abstract objects (e.g. actions), representing their degree of importance.

Radio

*worked, is mine. Nikola Tesla, On patent controversies regarding the invention of Radio and other things, as quoted in "A Visit to Nikola Tesla" by Dragislav*

Radio is the wireless transmission of electromagnetic signals through the atmosphere or free space.

Electricity

*centuries and centuries. Other means must be employed to hasten the end. Nikola Tesla, in "The Transmission of Electrical Energy without wires as a means for*

Electricity is a general term encompassing a variety of phenomena resulting from the presence and flow of electric charge. These include many easily recognizable phenomena, such as lightning, static electricity, and the flow of electrical current in an electrical wire. In addition, electricity encompasses less familiar concepts

such as the electromagnetic field and electromagnetic induction.

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