

Adam Rapp Quotes

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You have to escape to survive, as you must survive to escape.

~Adam Rapp

Fifteen years ago I killed my sister.

~Adam Rapp

I would hope that the staffs at juvenile detention centers and reform schools are carefully chosen so that there is a community of support and hope.

~Adam Rapp

Sometimes when I'm directing, the stage manager will have a good idea and that's okay with me.

~Adam Rapp

I grew up eating hamburger helper, macaroni and cheese, and drinking lots of milk, and looked at lots of cows; but I feel like a New Yorker now, I've lived here for sixteen years.

~Adam Rapp

We only have so much time.... Time will kill you — it really will.

~Adam Rapp

I began stealing a lot of ideas from other directors I had worked with.

~Adam Rapp

It was like losing an important weight-bearing bone, and I knew I would spend the rest of my life trying to figure out how to walk the streets without it.

~Adam Rapp

I think because my brother was an actor and I just saw how he struggled through, I guess I'm sensitive to it.

~Adam Rapp

A typical day for me is I'm writing when I'm not directing.

~Adam Rapp

My work is always more emotional than I am. My characters say things to each other that I get accused of not being able to say to my girlfriend.

~Adam Rapp

I don't see a lot of movies that portray the East Village as well as I think they can.

~Adam Rapp

I find auditioning to be a very illusive process, where actors come in with this really big result with no process, so it's a lie already at work.

~Adam Rapp

Whenever I've been in rehearsals, it's really fun, there's always laughing.

~Adam Rapp

You can always count on the New York Times to cut your legs off.

~Adam Rapp

When I'm directing, I'm pretty much not writing, but when I'm not directing I am writing a lot.

~Adam Rapp

I suffer from and enjoy an incredibly vivid dream life. A lot of times there is a sort-of narrative and other times they are just funhouses of non-linear imagery and other scary stuff.

~Adam Rapp

I find that more and more I'm trying to entertain myself when I'm working, because I know the work's going to go to a horrible place.

~Adam Rapp

It's strange, people have asked me what my schedule is and what is my process like, and I can't even answer it.

~Adam Rapp

My life has been in shambles, like my personal relationships, my laundry, paying bills now I have someone who pays my bills and it's always been a challenge because it overwhelms me.

~Adam Rapp

I don't like the sort of hierarchical, totalitarian type of room a lot of directors can find themselves in.

~Adam Rapp

The rooms I tend to be in are pretty democratic and the best idea wins.

~Adam Rapp

I've never really felt good at the parties, but I have enough friends now that I feel social, I used to feel very antisocial, but I think the theater helps.

~Adam Rapp

I've never really felt that I've had the right hair cut, or had the right clothes.

~Adam Rapp

What I've learned in the last few years is that I am merely a storyteller.

~Adam Rapp

I think, for me, when I direct my own work it's just an extension of the authorship.

~Adam Rapp

I don't put big concepts on my work, and it's all often about keeping actors in a room together and not letting them leave.

~Adam Rapp

I think I'm a little more daunted by when the machinery of the play is really huge.

~Adam Rapp

When it's just a few scenes and a couple of actors behaving in a room, I feel very confident with that.

~Adam Rapp

I just love working with actors, and I love working with writers, working with designers.

~Adam Rapp

I feel that I am just a storyteller, and whether I am wearing the director hat or the playwright hat, it doesn't matter.

~Adam Rapp

I think auditioning can be very reductive and I just hate how actors work really hard and most of them aren't going to get the job, and I hate putting them through that.

~Adam Rapp

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