

Albert Brooks

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I was in Kashmir last weekend. Went to visit one of my sweaters.

~Albert Brooks

A lot of alliteration from anxious anchors placed in powerful posts!

~Albert Brooks

I'm not a big fan of the post-Armageddon stories, where Denzel Washington is walking around in a torn coat.

~Albert Brooks

Wouldn't this be a great world if insecurity and desperation made us more attractive?

~Albert Brooks

Your spouse should be just attractive enough to turn you on. Anything more is trouble.

~Albert Brooks

If you want to be a writer, just write. There's no magic to it.

~Albert Brooks

Getting older is a lot of fun. Right up there with chewing glass or putting your hand in a blender.

~Albert Brooks

When I die, if the word 'thong' appears in the first or second sentence of my obituary, I've screwed up.

~Albert Brooks

Relaxation is the absence of worry.

~Albert Brooks

I've never been disappointed, because I've never given somebody I liked that much power.

~Albert Brooks

I can't not put humor in a book.

~Albert Brooks

So I think if you're happy with your brain, you're powerful.

~Albert Brooks

I don't know that I can define fear. But one of the sources of fear is holding up some sort of model life that doesn't exist and feeling like you're far away from it.

~Albert Brooks

If we had 3 million exhibitionists and only one voyeur, nobody could make any money.

~Albert Brooks

If anything happens to me, tell every woman I've ever gone with I was talking about her at the end. That way, they'll have to reevaluate me.

~Albert Brooks

Someone asked me "what do you think of Donald Trump?" And I said, "I would rather vote for Hillary Clinton in jail." If she gets convicted, I'll vote for her for president.

~Albert Brooks

I never wanted to be a director.

~Albert Brooks

I'd still like to see 'Survivor' minus the planned show-biz parts. That would be the purest form of show business - I want to see someone so hungry that they eat somebody else's foot.

~Albert Brooks

I'm not Elvis. I don't get chased by paparazzi.

~Albert Brooks

I've always felt like I work in a small little area that doesn't represent anything like the rest of society.

~Albert Brooks

Be generous and you can be the best person who ever lived.

~Albert Brooks

Don't worry, and don't kick yourself forever. Just take the opportunities when they come.

~Albert Brooks

I don't want to get close to people who have secrets that I don't know about.

~Albert Brooks

I've been to many funerals of funny people, and they're some of the funniest days you'll ever have, because the emotions run high.

~Albert Brooks

Donald Trump announces this morning that he will run for president. His hair will announce on Friday.

~Albert Brooks

Most entertainment is trying to get you. It's tested, like toothpaste.

~Albert Brooks

I come from the place where I am thinking 'I have put my blood on the pages.'

~Albert Brooks

Starting to drink now in preparation for New Years. No more last minute

stuff like Christmas.

~Albert Brooks

I don't want to be the one to break it to you, but the future ain't that funny.

~Albert Brooks

Bullfights are hugely popular because you can sit comfortably with a hot dog and possibly watch a man die. It won't be me, but I can sit comfortably and watch it.

~Albert Brooks

Being a screenwriter in Hollywood is like being a eunuch at an orgy. Worse, actually, at least the eunuch is allowed to watch.

~Albert Brooks

If you paint, write, do mosaics, knit - if it's solving that part of your brain saying, 'I need to do this,' you've won.

~Albert Brooks

Nothing surprises me. After Donald Trump, nothing matters, does it?

~Albert Brooks

It's better to be known by six people for something you're proud of than to be known by sixty million for something you're not.

~Albert Brooks

As an actor, if you're just sitting and staring and you don't know who you are in your own mind, it's vacant. And sometimes the camera is an X-ray machine, it can pick it up.

~Albert Brooks

You can equate acting to a tennis game: When you're playing one of the best, you get better.

~Albert Brooks

When I went to acting school, the kids that got the best grades were the kids that could cry on cue. But it didn't really translate into careers for any of them, because the external is the easy part.

~Albert Brooks

You know, I became a director out of necessity. I was writing comedies, and I couldn't find anybody to deliver it correctly.

~Albert Brooks

You make friends with older people and you always feel young no matter what.

~Albert Brooks

Acceptance is going to a restaurant where the salad's not great, but the steak is fine.

~Albert Brooks

I have children. I have a family to support. But I really could live in a one-room apartment, as long as the television worked. I never needed anything. Just a comfortable chair and I'm fine.

~Albert Brooks

I've always been the king of silence. I've always been a minimalist comedian. I've taken my influence from Jack Benny, who was the king of that I've always done 'less is more.'

~Albert Brooks

If you look at the best-seller list for American fiction, they're all sequels to detective stories or stories about hunting serial killers. That's what's called American fiction these days.

~Albert Brooks

I've always liked to think ahead. Not stupid-far ahead. A hundred years doesn't interest me. But 20 years interests me, and more for what happens to humans as opposed to things.

~Albert Brooks

Twitter, to me, works if you're funny. Twitter doesn't work as a promotional tool unless you do it very, very, very occasionally.

~Albert Brooks

Regrets are stupid; they don't mean anything and they don't add up to anything.

~Albert Brooks

Art and resistance are great together. That's what art's made for. Look at Vincent van Gogh: He didn't cut off his ear because he was selling well.

~Albert Brooks

If I'm going to act in someone's movie, I want the movie to be interesting and be able to get a couple of solid doubles.

~Albert Brooks

If you're going to act and do this for a living, you want to play something that the audience didn't expect.

~Albert Brooks

Nobody will leave any place unless they're forced out. That's the nature of humans. Once you're there, you're there. I've never seen anybody get up voluntarily and leave any place.

~Albert Brooks

I, sort of, got into comedy accidentally, and it got bigger than I wanted it to.

~Albert Brooks

Once you sign on as an actor, you know, you don't go to the editing room, you don't see how they cut, you don't see how they score, you don't see how they cast the rest of the movie.

~Albert Brooks

You know, when cameras are rolling, improvisation doesn't feel natural. The pressure is too great. You're on a time schedule. You've got 60 crewmen.

~Albert Brooks

It's interesting when you're part of a group - the Jews, to be exact - that the world has had such problems with.

~Albert Brooks

I guess 'The Player' was a pretty good L.A. movie. And 'Chinatown.' Was there ever a better L.A. movie about a certain period in L.A.? That was terrific.

~Albert Brooks

Twitter is the Devil's playground.

~Albert Brooks

Movies are an expensive business.

~Albert Brooks

One of the things I like about a character: I always think it's fascinating when a character can turn on a dime and go from one emotion to another. I like watching that.

~Albert Brooks

Excited about Black Friday. Also excited about Jew Tuesday.

~Albert Brooks

You never do a movie and not want it to work. You accept whatever it

is. You have to, but nobody in their right mind would not want the movie to be getting talked about at the end of the year.

~Albert Brooks

Film is the cheapest part of the movie making process. The expense is the 100-man crew and the financing and everything.

~Albert Brooks

I'm a big consumer of news and I have my six newspaper sites booked. And what I like about Twitter is it's almost, it allows me to make a comment about something that's just on my mind.

~Albert Brooks

You always got to be happy when somebody likes what you do. It's stupid not to be happy.

~Albert Brooks

In my screenplays - from the very beginning I've always used tape. I talk my screenplays. And then have somebody transcribe them.

~Albert Brooks

I like movies about failing.

~Albert Brooks

I've seen the future! It's a bald-headed man from New York!

~Albert Brooks

I'm not interesting enough on my own that you'd want to see a film about me.

~Albert Brooks

I've always been in the middle of making my own movies, so taking acting jobs that take me away from that has been impossible.

~Albert Brooks

In the beginning of any career, in every job, people are always forcing you to the middle.

~Albert Brooks

I take anything other than 'you big pig!' as a compliment.

~Albert Brooks

I'm a member of the Academy, but I don't know who all the other Academy members are. It's not like a politician who knows who is in the Iowa caucus.

~Albert Brooks

The biggest waste of brainpower is to want to change something that's not changeable.

~Albert Brooks

I've done performances in movies that I was immensely proud of and the movies didn't take off like a rocket at Cape Canaveral, it didn't take off.

~Albert Brooks

I don't experience basic human emotions. It's not my thing.

~Albert Brooks

My mother was supportive without knowing it. Deep down she wanted all the right things, she just didn't see the world like I did, and she's not supposed to.

~Albert Brooks

I just like making people laugh, and buried in that I like to bring up topics and start discussions.

~Albert Brooks

I don't think the goal is, 'How big a star did you ever become?' I think

the goal is, 'Were you able to express yourself?'

~Albert Brooks

I think anger and laughter are very close to each other, when you think about it.

~Albert Brooks

Even though my father was a radio comedian, it wasn't cool to say, at a young age, 'I want to be a comedian.'

~Albert Brooks

There's nothing funny about flying to Houston.

~Albert Brooks

How many people didn't get a part who would have been better than the person who got the part? Thousands.

~Albert Brooks

I cast unusual people in my movies.

~Albert Brooks

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