

Alden Ehrenreich

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I really want to be a part of those movies that say something good to a lot of people.

~Alden Ehrenreich

I'm an actor because I love movies, and always have loved movies. I'm a film buff. So, getting to work with those kinds of directors and getting to tell those stories is what I want to do.

~Alden Ehrenreich

Basically, *Beautiful Creatures* was the first lead that I had since *Tetro*, and it was a lesson in seeing what it's like to film a movie that's of a much bigger scale. It was a good initiation.

~Alden Ehrenreich

The last three movies I've done, I played a cowboy, then I played a soldier, and now I play Han Solo. So the little kid in me is having a real joyride.

~Alden Ehrenreich

For me, the drive is storytelling. To be a part of an art that tells a story and to be a catalyst, a color in that, is very exciting.

~Alden Ehrenreich

I'd never worked with an actor-director before [Warren Beatty].

~Alden Ehrenreich

[Warren Beatty] is voraciously detail-oriented.

~Alden Ehrenreich

[Warren Beatty] will sometimes spend hours on a very small detail to make sure he gets it right. After the kind of work that he's made, he certainly doesn't have to be doing that.

~Alden Ehrenreich

By anyone's measure, [Warren Beatty] is proven himself. But he still sets out to make something as great as it possibly can be.

~Alden Ehrenreich

[Warren Beatty] definitely sees 'Rules' as a comedic consequence to the American sexual puritanism that is dramatically presented in 'Splendor.'

~Alden Ehrenreich

You need those people to also have power and authority, and in a way that has been the story of my career.

~Alden Ehrenreich

You do need these people to go out on a limb for you, thinking you're right for a role rather than having box office numbers.

~Alden Ehrenreich

I had four years of auditions, and nothing happened, until Francis Ford Coppola took a shot on me ['Tetro' in 2009]. I hadn't done a film, and suddenly I was the lead.

~Alden Ehrenreich

Warren [Beatty] loves to talk about his experiences with [Elia] Kazan.

~Alden Ehrenreich

I've always felt whatever the opposite of disillusioned is. I guess illusioned with movies and with people in movies and things like that. It's all exciting to me.

~Alden Ehrenreich

Even though I grew up in L.A., no one in my family was in the movie industry.

~Alden Ehrenreich

When I was 14 years old, I was by no means trying to work professionally at all.

~Alden Ehrenreich

[Woody Allen] does very few takes, and he doesn't give a whole ton of directions, although he does give direction.

~Alden Ehrenreich

Just getting to talk to that person [Woody Allen] in real life was pretty wild.

~Alden Ehrenreich

[Woody Allen] persona in the films are so iconic; it's like on par with Groucho Marx or something like that.

~Alden Ehrenreich

I really feel lucky that I still feel excited about the actual work that I get to do. I just happen to love it, and I could easily see, for somebody else, that not being the case.

~Alden Ehrenreich

That's something that Francis [Ford Coppola] would always say. I remember when I was doing Tetro, he said, "Stay innocent. I'm 69 years old, and I'm still innocent."

~Alden Ehrenreich

I got turned down for a million jobs until I got my first movie with Francis [Ford Coppola].

~Alden Ehrenreich

I auditioned for four or five years and didn't get anything after that.

~Alden Ehrenreich

I've definitely been spoilt. Every movie I've done, it's always the same

criteria: finding a great story, and finding a great part to play.

~Alden Ehrenreich

I think you always feel like you're about a hair's breadth away from being a bad actor anyway... It's not too hard to let the rope go slack, so to speak.

~Alden Ehrenreich

I did my first film with Francis Ford Coppola which spoiled the hell out of me.

~Alden Ehrenreich

I want to make movies that people see. I really think that movies are the most popular form of story telling ever and have such a huge impact on culture when they do.

~Alden Ehrenreich

There's a lot of complicated magical reasons why I'm not at the party that are too long and semantic to go into.

~Alden Ehrenreich

But even a kid, directing was something that I did. I made short films in school. I feel like I've been in the best film school in the world.

~Alden Ehrenreich

Warren [Beatty] was very adamant and very encouraging of me to direct. It's definitely something that I'd like to pursue more in the future.

~Alden Ehrenreich

I honestly feel that each film has its own particular challenges.

~Alden Ehrenreich

Even when Warren [Beatty] cast me, it had been two years between films at that point.

~Alden Ehrenreich

For me, each one of those experiences stands on its own. The first one was with Steven Spielberg, who helped me to get an agent and vouch for me, and that gave me the confidence to continue.

~Alden Ehrenreich

[Howard Hughes] approached filmmaking like he approached all of his inventiveness - it gave him an opportunity to make a name for himself in the world.

~Alden Ehrenreich

The biggest challenge to being an actor is when you're not working, just being unemployed, the downtime and not having anything to do.

~Alden Ehrenreich

I feel like I would have ultimately ended up pursuing acting. It probably would have been much more difficult and taken a lot longer for me to get into it professionally.

~Alden Ehrenreich

I'm trying to make myself sound better.

~Alden Ehrenreich

That's a lot more legitimate than the retail therapy I do.

~Alden Ehrenreich

I've had that experience many, many, times - when you don't get roles. I'd developed a good muscle for shaking it off.

~Alden Ehrenreich

I remember pretending to be the characters in the movies when I was a little kid.

~Alden Ehrenreich

I've had a couple opportunities where I've been on the other side of the audition process as a director.

~Alden Ehrenreich

I'm just excited to be a part of the movie [Star Wars]. It's always the particulars that are the most exciting.

~Alden Ehrenreich

Elia Kazan - the films he made were such a big deal for me when I was growing up.

~Alden Ehrenreich

Warren [Beatty] did a very cool thing, where he directs in character.

~Alden Ehrenreich

I'm glad to be an actor to be employed by people who are now 12, probably. I look forward to that.

~Alden Ehrenreich

Each time demands its own kind of film.

~Alden Ehrenreich

My parents weren't involved in show business but my parents would show me. We'd watch old films in the house.

~Alden Ehrenreich

I remember Tetro was a big deal to me at that time. It was going from zero to one: Never having been in a movie, a person who had no relationship to any of that, and that was my first movie.

~Alden Ehrenreich

It's a little bit about how I felt about Hail, Caesar! and now Star Wars. I could not have predicted those things happening to me. But I'm just happy they come along.

~Alden Ehrenreich

When I worked with anybody like Woody Allen, there's the name, and your understanding of who they are before you meet them, that stays in your head a little bit.

~Alden Ehrenreich

When Tetro came out, I met with Warren Beatty for the first time. I had, like, a four-and-a-half-hour lunch with him, and then over the next five years continued to meet with him and go to his house.

~Alden Ehrenreich

Same with the Coen brothers and Warren [Beatty]. And then slowly you get to know each one of them as a person, and that becomes a kind of separate entity, where you just know the human being.

~Alden Ehrenreich

Each film and each character is a completely new set of challenges. It doesn't feel like you can rest on something you may have done well in the past.

~Alden Ehrenreich

When you work for the Coens, they are so fun and so organized. They treat everyone with such respect. And the character I got to play was so fun.

~Alden Ehrenreich

I had the opportunity to learn more about what life is like for a soldier [in *The Yellow Birds*].

~Alden Ehrenreich

It feels like you're being invited into a kind of community [working with the Coen brothers].

~Alden Ehrenreich

[The Coen brothers] hire the same people over and over again, so there's a shorthand between all of the people they're working with.

~Alden Ehrenreich

You get bummed out, and then you go, "Oh! Now I get to go buy a present for myself." That kind of helps.

~Alden Ehrenreich

I feel about romance the same way I do about a vocation; it's a calling.

~Alden Ehrenreich

I buy myself a present whenever I don't get a role that I really wanted.

~Alden Ehrenreich

So many times you can't get a foot in the door unless you're already in the room.

~Alden Ehrenreich

The idea of it [Star Wars] is really exciting, but the most fun part is the actual job you get to do: the character that you get to play, the people that you work with, the day-to-day experience.

~Alden Ehrenreich

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