

Antonio Banderas

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It's a character that I always found really likable. I'm fond of Zorro because he was a popular figure who worked for the people.

~Antonio Banderas

I've never worried about what audiences would accept or had a game plan regarding the career. I never had an idea of how I should look to my fans or anybody else.

~Antonio Banderas

Expectation is the mother of all frustration.

~Antonio Banderas

I'm a complete hypochondriac. If my heart starts beating a little faster than normal, I think I'm having an attack.

~Antonio Banderas

Everything changes as you get older - your mind, your body, the way you view the world.

~Antonio Banderas

I love my country. And I would have to renounce my Spanish citizenship to become a U.S. Citizen.

~Antonio Banderas

I do yoga every morning, then I run for half an hour and take a sauna.

~Antonio Banderas

In Spain we have a saying about the essentials of life: good food, good wine, good sex, good sleep.

~Antonio Banderas

Whatever happens in my life from now on, I know the day I finally die - the final act of my script - people will always make references to the work I've done with Almodóvar.

~Antonio Banderas

I like going everywhere. And I love starting new things.

~Antonio Banderas

It was an honor and privilege to arrive to this country 16 years ago with almost no money in my pocket. A lot has happened since then.

~Antonio Banderas

[Pablo] Picasso was born in my hometown, in Májlaga, so I have this of strange connection with his persona and with what he did. He left Májlaga, practically at the same time and age that I did.

~Antonio Banderas

A couple of years after I arrived in Hollywood, everything that was Latino was fashionable, and years after, my thought is that we're not fashionable anymore. We're here to stay.

~Antonio Banderas

I am lucky, that is all. Lucky because there are a lot of people - producers, directors, people who buy tickets - who put confidence in me.

~Antonio Banderas

When you go to the movie theater and the opening of this movie and you see the kids just cracking up with a character you are giving your voice to, you get goose bumps. It's so beautiful.

~Antonio Banderas

This girl said "Yes" when I wasn't ready. I kissed her lightly and got so dizzy I had to sit down.

~Antonio Banderas

We are now integrated into American society and I don't like the word

fashionable, because fashionable means that it's going to pass. It's not like that anymore.

~Antonio Banderas

I love the diversity of America. I love the plain, normal sense of humor Americans have. It is not wicked, like in some countries. And I also love how new America is.

~Antonio Banderas

You can change a person in their exterior aspects, but the soul remains, it still is there, and especially if that person has been changed involuntarily.

~Antonio Banderas

I couldn't be with someone who is depressed all the time.

~Antonio Banderas

The recycling in my house was imposed by my kids.

~Antonio Banderas

I don't believe in any kind of fundamentalism.

~Antonio Banderas

You have to be in good shape, basically. And then, you have to have a certain craziness, if you're going to do some of the action things.

~Antonio Banderas

I have to recognize that I am agnostic.

~Antonio Banderas

I divide my time badly.

~Antonio Banderas

I like flesh. I do! Something to hold.

~Antonio Banderas

I wake up every morning, look in the mirror and ask, 'Am I a sex symbol?' Then I go back to bed again. It's stupid to think that way.

~Antonio Banderas

I cry a lot, you know. Which is very difficult for a man to recognise, but I do. I cry in movies, you know, just watching movies.

~Antonio Banderas

I think that comedy is one of the more serious things that you can do in our day, especially in the world that we're living in.

~Antonio Banderas

I think I'm a romantic person, yeah.

~Antonio Banderas

I'm in my 60s now, and just running almost 50 meters with explosives going on, it was kind of like, "Oh, my god! What am I doing here?"

~Antonio Banderas

If you call a cat, he may not come. Which doesn't happen with dogs. They're different types of animals. Cats are very sexy I think too in the way they move.

~Antonio Banderas

Every time, I reaffirm in myself that the more comfortable you are, the less you are creating. You have to feel a little bit of pain in the creation.

~Antonio Banderas

I don't want anything I don't deserve, but if they offer me more money, I'm not stupid.

~Antonio Banderas

We're living in hard times.

~Antonio Banderas

You see a woman, 22 years old, going out with a guy over 60 - and it's kind of natural. But if it happens in the opposite direction everyone says, 'What is going on there?'

~Antonio Banderas

I wouldn't want my daughters to date a guy like me. I was dangerous around women in my twenties. I'm terrified that they might end up with someone like me.

~Antonio Banderas

One thing I have clear is that I don't want to work for money anymore.

~Antonio Banderas

Films should be for everybody.

~Antonio Banderas

I completely take on the risk, the poker game, which being an artist means, and I'm going to try to make a film which honestly reflects what I have in my head.

~Antonio Banderas

I don't know, if I had the secret recipe that I actually could give everybody, I think it has to do very much with believing in yourself and giving time. Giving time to each member of the family.

~Antonio Banderas

I think the worst enemy for success is the anxiousness to get it.

~Antonio Banderas

People are not patient anymore.

~Antonio Banderas

You have to work with people you really love.

~Antonio Banderas

I think the problems with being older come when your body cannot do what your mind wants. Then, Houston, we have a problem.

~Antonio Banderas

I suppose that I am ambitious.

~Antonio Banderas

I don't think there is a guy that played more gay characters than I have done in my life.

~Antonio Banderas

I don't like to over-intellectualize scenes that are working. I tend to think when you do that you may lose it.

~Antonio Banderas

I've always been an optimistic guy, to tell you the truth.

~Antonio Banderas

When I do a political movie, I do a political movie.

~Antonio Banderas

I often feel very guilty because of the time that I spend outside of my home and the little time that sometimes I have for my kids.

~Antonio Banderas

I try to teach my kids to be open.

~Antonio Banderas

Always when you go to a new country and they teach you bad words, you just say them without knowing the value and people look at you because you didn't know that value of them.

~Antonio Banderas

There are some movies that I would like to forget, for the rest of my life. But even those movies teach me things.

~Antonio Banderas

As an actor, when you encounter a psychopathic personality, you naturally want to make him 'bigger than life,' as the Americans say.

~Antonio Banderas

In my personal life, I am very contemplative.

~Antonio Banderas

I've never liked watching real-life couples play couples onscreen or onstage. It takes me out of the story.

~Antonio Banderas

I've done many different movies in many different contexts.

~Antonio Banderas

I have a fantastic studio in my home, and it's my biggest toy. I have about a half a million dollars worth of musical equipment in my house.

~Antonio Banderas

Up until the time I was 31 years old, in Spain, I still didn't know how I was going to pay the rent.

~Antonio Banderas

I long to get back into theater.

~Antonio Banderas

Making movies is difficult and you get disorientated sometimes - even when you're working with fantastic talent.

~Antonio Banderas

Characters don't belong to anyone, not even the person who plays them.

~Antonio Banderas

I had an idea and I wanted just to make it work. And I am never, ever secure on the set that what I am doing is going to translate to the screen. It never changes.

~Antonio Banderas

Cinema has opened a world of possibilities up for me.

~Antonio Banderas

Hollywood is a very strong machine that needs, and in... especially with female actors, fresh flesh. It's that cruel. But that's the way it is.

~Antonio Banderas

I always feel that art in general and acting in particular should make the audience a little uncomfortable, to slap them and wake them up.

~Antonio Banderas

I think we are realising that governments can't govern us any more.

~Antonio Banderas

I get caught up in my bubble of reading, writing, or music.

~Antonio Banderas

It's about paying attention to the little things, the details... Constantly rediscovering your partner, knowing there's a way out of any crisis.

~Antonio Banderas

When you work in a different language you are not so attached to the words.

~Antonio Banderas

I think Shrek makes an effect in older people. And there are many things in the movie that you saw that are not for kids. Kids would not understand certain things.

~Antonio Banderas

If they had offered me James Bond, I probably couldn't have gone to England anymore in my life. James Bond with an accent? That would have been something.

~Antonio Banderas

I think I am good in the department of body language and fighting, and stuff like that. It's just natural to me, maybe because I love sports.

~Antonio Banderas

I did my first movie, "The Mambo Kings," in America without speaking the language. I learned the lines phonetically. I had an interpreter actually just to understand directions from my director.

~Antonio Banderas

When you're feeling very comfortable with an actor, you are doing nothing.

~Antonio Banderas

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