

Bassem Youssef

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People say, 'Are you afraid? Are you scared for your life?' and I tell them: If I choose today to tone it down, if I choose today to shut up, tomorrow me, you, and all of us will be forced to.

~Bassem Youssef

It is very depressing to see that in the 21st century people are still using the same 1950s and '60s style of propaganda.

~Bassem Youssef

I always tell people that a revolution is not an event, it's a process. It is a struggle. And it doesn't usually go smoothly.

~Bassem Youssef

People would believe propagate, spread rumors or conspiracy theories in order to protect their own system of denial.

~Bassem Youssef

Egypt is kind of like the Hollywood of the Middle East. I mean, we had cinema maybe decades before the other Arab countries ever got independence.

~Bassem Youssef

The worst thing ever that you have to explain your joke because I was very disappointed trying to explain why the joke is funny for the interrogator.

~Bassem Youssef

Satire has its limits. It is really up to the people to make the change. The satirist's role ends at the screen.

~Bassem Youssef

Everybody grows up with comedy. I mean, Egyptian comedy has a very, very old tradition. Our theater and our movies are just, like, amazing.

~Bassem Youssef

There are people who believe in Egypt that I - I'm actually - I'm getting paid by external powers and external intelligence entities in order to use satire to bring down the government.

~Bassem Youssef

The only the way that you can live and function without seeing the facts in front of you is to put yourself in a constant state of denial.

~Bassem Youssef

I think that the religious and the military right wings are just two sides of the same coin if somebody uses God and religion and somebody uses country and security.

~Bassem Youssef

It is very difficult to imagine that you can actually get rid of a dictatorship that has been there for 60 years only in 18 days.

~Bassem Youssef

I was accused of insulting the president, insulting Islam, insulting - spreading rumors, disturbing the peace.

~Bassem Youssef

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