

# Brent Spiner Quotes

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If you look around at the people in show business today they are basically the people who didn't give up.

~Brent Spiner

I'm an avid biography reader.

~Brent Spiner

I try not to make plans. Because, even the best laid plans etc. etc.

~Brent Spiner

Certainly I find it most interesting to play a role that I can invent from nothing.

~Brent Spiner

Timing is everything, as you know.

~Brent Spiner

People think that being on Star Trek is career suicide, but it's really just the opposite

~Brent Spiner

I think the potential for man is so enormous, if we can stay alive long enough, we're going to be seeing a lot of what Star Trek is projecting.

~Brent Spiner

I think it's the business part of the word show business that causes me the most concern.

~Brent Spiner

My own personal favorite Cher song is the unforgettable Gypsies, Tramps and Thieves.

~Brent Spiner

[The Aviator] came about through John Logan, who I've been friends

with for many years.

~Brent Spiner

Radical surgery is never fun.

~Brent Spiner

I don't read fiction at all.

~Brent Spiner

When I go to the old folks' home, I'm gonna be sitting in a rocking chair, telling everybody how I worked with Jack [Lemmon] and Walter [Matthau].

~Brent Spiner

And the basic sort of thrust of Star Trek being about equality and tolerance and things I believe in deeply.

~Brent Spiner

Having spent so much time in a fictional world, I prefer to read about the real world

~Brent Spiner

Any job you can go to and have a laugh everyday has got to be a good job.

~Brent Spiner

Voice acting is about the easiest thing to do. You roll out of bed, throw your clothes on that you had on the night before, you go into the studio, and nobody cares, just as long as you can speak.

~Brent Spiner

Needless to say, I was impressed by Felicia [Day] and her moxie with how to do a web series. I mean, she's the queen of the web.

~Brent Spiner

I'm, like, y'know, I didn't have a problem doing one scene in Dude, Where's My Car? I'm certainly not going to have a problem doing one scene in a [Martin] Scorsese movie!

~Brent Spiner

I think we're all fans, and I understand the whole world of fandom, because I am a fan.

~Brent Spiner

I don't know you could do a whole film about Dr. Okun from Independence Day.

~Brent Spiner

A job is a job. And I like to work.

~Brent Spiner

Rent Control is not a terrible movie, certainly not for the budget they had. And, again, it's such an '80s kind of thing.

~Brent Spiner

I love the South Park guys, Trey Parker and Matt Stone. They're geniuses. I throw that word around a lot, but I really do mean it.

~Brent Spiner

I've gotten such good feedback from that [re-team with Wil Wheaton for Big Bang Theory appearance], and I hardly did anything.

~Brent Spiner

As I get older and I get more of this dialogue and I lose more and more brain cells, it really does become the most difficult part of the job!

~Brent Spiner

I don't read Science Fiction.

~Brent Spiner

Generally, I have to be able to get the lines out of my mouth without making a mistake before I go to sleep.

~Brent Spiner

In my heart, I've never left Brazil.

~Brent Spiner

Im thinking of going into rehab. Im not addicted to anything, but I think its good way to jumpstart an acting career.

~Brent Spiner

There is no question that everybody who works in show business is lucky because of the number of people who wish they where working in show business.

~Brent Spiner

[ Felicia Day] is really figured it all out, and it was impressive. It was nothing like our set, because her set was like working on a real film.

~Brent Spiner

[Independence Day] was a sweet, sweet job, because it was one of those big surprises.

~Brent Spiner

I have to go with Data's makeup, because that was basically every day, 10 months out of the year, for seven years. There were only a couple of days that I had to endure for Dr. Soong.

~Brent Spiner

It seemed like an interesting movie [Independence Day], and I thought I had a take on the part that was going to be unique. That doesn't happen to me very often.

~Brent Spiner

They were nicely written and nicely directed episodes [Star Trek: Enterprise]. I enjoyed working with Scott [Bakula]. So it was good to do, and, as you said, it did serve to enhance the Soong legacy.

~Brent Spiner

I think Rick Berman just called me and asked me if I wanted to do the show [Star Trek: Enterprise], and he said they'd write an arc if I'd do it.

~Brent Spiner

I got Greg Aronowitz, who does [ Felicia Day] sets, to do mine as well, and he's just amazing. He can work miracles with nothing.

~Brent Spiner

I tended to do a lot of shows that were ahead of their time and didn't run very long.

~Brent Spiner

Bill Prady and Chuck Lorre, the guys who run that show [Big Bang Theory], are really funny and really smart, and the cast is fantastic to work with.

~Brent Spiner

The character of Brent Spiner. We certainly collaborate on the concept of that, but he basically writes the script, then it's sort of a combination of his voice and my voice.

~Brent Spiner

[Fan In Lobby from Stardust Memories] that was just after The Dain Curse. My other big uncredited role from back then.

~Brent Spiner

I always refer to [Stardust Memories] as Sharon Stone's and my first film.

~Brent Spiner

I assumed, "Well, I must've sounded like Conan O'Brien, or a reasonable facsimile or something." And there I am in the movie [South Park: Bigger, Longer & Uncut ]. I was very lucky.

~Brent Spiner

I had a really nice time on [Alphas]. It was a bunch of really good actors, and I was particularly thrilled to be working with David Strathairn.

~Brent Spiner

One of the things about working on Star Trek that was always so great was that we all got along as well as we did. We really became family.

~Brent Spiner

I think that Enterprise was getting better and better, actually, and if it had kept going, I think it would've turned into as good a show as any other in the Star Trek franchise.

~Brent Spiner

I've worked with some great people [in Star Trek], and I was paid handsomely, and it was a nice role. So the whole experience was positive for me.

~Brent Spiner

I don't think everybody wanted to be on [new Star Trek series] . I certainly didn't.

~Brent Spiner

I try to do as much as I can. I probably knew more about Earl Mills than anybody on earth besides people who actually knew him.

~Brent Spiner

It just occurred to me that there are some beautiful shots [in Rent Control] with the World Trade Center in the background.

~Brent Spiner

I don't know if the character's come back and it was someone else playing it, or maybe they never did it again. But I loved it. It was a great part [The Joker] to play.

~Brent Spiner

Can't argue with Gene Roddenberry. He was a pretty brilliant guy.

~Brent Spiner

That job [on Out to Sea], more than any I've ever done, I couldn't wait to get to work in the morning. And not only that, but I had a great part. So it was just beyond fun on every level.

~Brent Spiner

[Out To Sea] was like a dream come true for me, because I got to work with Jack [Lemmon] and Walter [Matthau], who were unbelievable.

~Brent Spiner

I do know that when I look around in show business, I see a lot of people who were in my drama class in high school.

~Brent Spiner

I think I was technically uncredited as Local #1, because there were three of us. But I had the most lines [in My Sweet Charlie].

~Brent Spiner

I did have a tiny moment in a TV movie called My Sweet Charlie, starring Patty Duke.

~Brent Spiner

I think there is something like 90% unemployment in the Screen Actors Guild, so we are the exception.

~Brent Spiner



Hollywood has more than its share of harsh and cruel stories. In fact, it's probably more the norm than the exception.

~Brent Spiner

No, actually I'm trying to stay away from the big screen.

~Brent Spiner

And, you know, when you are a kid, everybody wants to be an actor. I think that everybody wants to be in show business, frankly.

~Brent Spiner

Rick Berman, who produced Star Trek, was a big Night Court fan. So he knew who I was as soon as I walked in.

~Brent Spiner

You look at that movie [Dude, Where's My Car?] now, and you know exactly when it was made. And that's what kids were like then.

~Brent Spiner

I felt like I was a natural [in The Simpsons].

~Brent Spiner

Pierre [from Dude, Where's My Car?] could be the best thing I've ever done. When you distill it down to a minute and a half of work, that may be my finest effort.

~Brent Spiner

[Martin Scorsese ] basically works just like any other director. You work the scene, you try to find what's best in it and make it work. That's what it was like.

~Brent Spiner

John Logan pretty much does the Woody Allen thing of just bringing people in and meeting them.

~Brent Spiner

[Out To Sea] began a relationship I had with [director] Martha Coolidge for a few years that was wonderful, and she certainly cast me in the best roles I've ever had in film.

~Brent Spiner

[Voice acting] is such an easy job. It's like stealing money, really. Which I'm always happy to do.

~Brent Spiner

I did learn a lot from [ Felicia Day], though, and I was able to usurp some of her talent.

~Brent Spiner

I think honestly, believe it or not, that Dude, Where's My Car? in a way represents its time better than almost any film made around that.

~Brent Spiner

I mean, I'm the tag of the [ Big Bang Theory ] show! That was one of the easiest jobs I've ever had.

~Brent Spiner

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