

Brian K. Vaughan

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My parents grew up during the space race, and I think they imagined the future would be us living on moon bases and everyone has rocket shoes.

~Brian K. Vaughan

My mom once told me that a good relationship isn't where the other person makes you feel better, but where they make **you** better.

~Brian K. Vaughan

I have no imagination; I just steal from life and change the color. Then it's a comic book.

~Brian K. Vaughan

Every issue, the characters and I duke it out. They usually win.

~Brian K. Vaughan

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~Brian K. Vaughan

When a man carries an instrument of violence, he'll always find the justification to use it.

~Brian K. Vaughan

I've been fortunate enough to travel to comic conventions in Portugal, France, Canada, and it's an honor to get to meet people from all over the world.

~Brian K. Vaughan

Just go out there and get your heart broken in, so it'll be ready when you really need it.

~Brian K. Vaughan

I think some people are just very passionate that things remain the way

they were when they were kids.

~Brian K. Vaughan

For a lot of arcane shipping reasons, new comics, even digital ones, have a long history of only being released on Wednesdays.

~Brian K. Vaughan

I'm not afraid of the world. I'm afraid of a world without you.

~Brian K. Vaughan

A comic script is basically a love letter from you to your artist.

~Brian K. Vaughan

Sure, this will probably end up being another in a long line of emotionally crippling misadventures...but let's try to have some fun along the way.

~Brian K. Vaughan

Comics brought me to the dance. It'll always be my first loyalty.

~Brian K. Vaughan

The biggest inspiration for everything I do is, of course, my wife, playwright Ruth McKee.

~Brian K. Vaughan

Reef aquariums are definitely the pinnacle of the hobby.

~Brian K. Vaughan

There are only three forms of high art: the symphony, the illustrated children's book and the board game.

~Brian K. Vaughan

All writing is the same: It's just making up lies until it starts to sound like the truth. That's what I do.

~Brian K. Vaughan

I start with something that makes me angry or confused, and then I write about it. It's a form of self-help.

~Brian K. Vaughan

After ten years of toiling away in Hollywood, I realized that there's no better place for new ideas than comics.

~Brian K. Vaughan

Some people are haunted by their pasts, but not my family. I mean, how can you be haunted by something that never really dies?

~Brian K. Vaughan

Happy endings are bullshit. There are only happy pauses.

~Brian K. Vaughan

Doesn't matter if it's personal or professional, a good partnership takes work.

~Brian K. Vaughan

There's a lot of fiction from that period that we're nostalgic for.

~Brian K. Vaughan

I mean, do you know what you get when you call a suicide hotline in New York city? A busy signal. Literally.

~Brian K. Vaughan

Violence is stupid. Even as a last resort, it only ever begets more of the same.

~Brian K. Vaughan

What cruel creatures men are. Our bodies tell us to love so many, but there's room in our hearts for so few.

~Brian K. Vaughan

Brubaker and Phillipss books have always been about eight years ahead of their time.

~Brian K. Vaughan

Comics are essentially films with fewer frames per second.

~Brian K. Vaughan

Life is mostly just learning how to lose.

~Brian K. Vaughan

I don't start a story until I know where it's going to end.

~Brian K. Vaughan

Okay, is anyone else worried that some of the fruit didn't fall far enough away from the tree?

~Brian K. Vaughan

If a good editor will let me tell my story with the right artist, I'm happy.

~Brian K. Vaughan

I, for example, am a pompous asshole, but my comics are genius!

~Brian K. Vaughan

Yeah, that's right. Flee in terror, bitches!

~Brian K. Vaughan

Fans of my books have just been supremely nice.

~Brian K. Vaughan

In film, you have the luxury of accomplishing what you need in 24 frames every second. Comics, you only have five or six panels a page to do that.

~Brian K. Vaughan

I grew up with a sister I was very close with and a mom who was a powerful influence on my life. I was always close with women.

~Brian K. Vaughan

I'm just grateful to finally be telling a story with all females at the lead.

~Brian K. Vaughan

But nothing warps time quite like childhood

~Brian K. Vaughan

I'm really happiest living life 22 pages at a time and putting things in little boxes on pages.

~Brian K. Vaughan

I am a big theater fan. It's mostly just being pretentious, I think, and trying to look smart.

~Brian K. Vaughan

I've never gotten anything but support and thanks from people for having diverse books.

~Brian K. Vaughan

People just want good stories.

~Brian K. Vaughan

Each collected edition of Paper Girls that we put out will largely be set in an entirely different era.

~Brian K. Vaughan

I love that the book [Paper Girls] gets to kind of evolve and change in each era. Our third storyline is our best so far.

~Brian K. Vaughan

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There's just something about that late '80s that suddenly feels like it has something to teach us.

~Brian K. Vaughan

As you get older you start to see these events and leaders, and movements of the pendulum swinging back.

~Brian K. Vaughan

It was interesting looking back at the '80s and trying to find newspaper headlines from the time - the cliché of history repeating itself.

~Brian K. Vaughan

I'm still digesting the '90s. It takes some time to get perspective.

~Brian K. Vaughan

I just want to take a realistic look now, now that we have enough distance.

~Brian K. Vaughan

There's a lot of dark stuff from the '80s that we don't think about.

~Brian K. Vaughan

We're always looking roughly 30 years behind us. In the '80s they were obsessed with the '50s and so on.

~Brian K. Vaughan

Well, I always talk about how I used to work at an insane asylum and stuff, which is true, but to be honest, I just make crap up more than anything else.

~Brian K. Vaughan

It's TV shows like 'Buffy' and 'Angel' that usually have an incredible cliffhanger every commercial break that amaze me.

~Brian K. Vaughan

Not a word of my writing has ever been changed by another person's hands, and I don't think many screenwriters can say that.

~Brian K. Vaughan

Your own creations are your own children; you gave life to them, so you'll always have, if not more passion to them, more connections to them.

~Brian K. Vaughan

Fantasy/science-fiction stories have been around almost as long as each genre, but every hybrid now lives in the shadow of 'Star Wars.'

~Brian K. Vaughan

Victor: You guys have some kind of rallying cry? You know, "Avengers assemble?" "It's clobberin' time?" "Hulk smash?" Nico: "Try not to die."

~Brian K. Vaughan

I think there is a possible future where maybe we do just take a hard turn away from the Internet and we do start valuing our privacy again.

~Brian K. Vaughan

I've always thought of fantasy as a genre of best-case scenarios, and horror as a genre of worst-case scenarios.

~Brian K. Vaughan

Because it's in and about New York City, I knew 'Ex Machina' was going to have to continually mix the mundane and the fantastic.

~Brian K. Vaughan

Print and digital comics will always coexist.

~Brian K. Vaughan

We've all seen lots of stories about a young protagonist having adventures, and usually they're all boys, [and] there is sometimes a token female, or two.

~Brian K. Vaughan

These are the young women [in *Stand by Me*] that we grew up knowing and hopefully they feel a little rough around the edges, because it's true to life.

~Brian K. Vaughan

We describe [*Paper Girls*] as *Stand By Me* meets *Terminator*. It's a story about nostalgia and childhood, but with an action-packed, sci-fi bent.

~Brian K. Vaughan

I've never had any interest in retelling stories from my youth.

~Brian K. Vaughan

I like things that are weirdly imaginative and couldn't be real, but I also like stories that are recognizable and relatable.

~Brian K. Vaughan

Immigration confuses and terrifies me, so why not try to write a comic and make some sense of it?

~Brian K. Vaughan

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