

# Cary Fukunaga

## Quotes

*Thinking, People, Want, Writing, Stories, Jobs, Important, Trying, Nice, Years,  
Art, Skills, Long, Crazy, Apartment, Needs, Film, Character, Focus, Ideas*

There's nothing better than finishing something and looking at it. Whether it be a script or a movie, it's this complete little thing that now exists and is hopefully immortal.

~Cary Fukunaga

It's an important part of being a member of society to know what's happening in the world and to know where you fall in it and what you can do about it.

~Cary Fukunaga

When you know you have a certain amount of work to finish, you just don't allow yourself to get sick again.

~Cary Fukunaga

I've been wanting to make a movie about the war in Sierra Leone, specifically, for more than 15 years.

~Cary Fukunaga

Collaboration sometimes causes conflict, and sometimes it's easy, but the bringing together of great minds only adds.

~Cary Fukunaga

If you really want to tell someone you love them, you don't just go and blurt it out. There's a dance. And your movie does that.

~Cary Fukunaga

I do want to direct a movie from horseback one day.

~Cary Fukunaga

I'm terrible at making titles. I never like the titles of my films.

~Cary Fukunaga

It takes the wool from your eyes about how the world works, to show you that nothing's necessarily fair, and that you might have a hard life.

~Cary Fukunaga

I want to be happy while I make movies and not just do things just to work. I want to do things I spend years on.

~Cary Fukunaga

I just have a hard time displaying things.

~Cary Fukunaga

I don't think I'd ever write anything that I don't also direct just because it's so hard and painful to write as it is.

~Cary Fukunaga

Everyone wants to be liked, so of course you want critical acclaim. After that, box office acclaim isn't bad. More than anything I think you have to try and make something you're proud of.

~Cary Fukunaga

Every single substitute teacher growing up could not pronounce my name, so whenever someone pauses, I'm like, "Oh, that's me."

~Cary Fukunaga

Your movie should lull people into a place of openness and vulnerability. If it is just a diatribe, it's never going to work.

~Cary Fukunaga

In snowboarding, you're constantly aware that people are so technically brilliant at what they do, and you feel like, "Ugh, I'll never be able to do that."

~Cary Fukunaga

I started writing stories when I was 9 or 10. I wrote my first screenplay-type document when I was 14.

~Cary Fukunaga

When people start talking, things happen.

~Cary Fukunaga

Film still looks way better than digital.

~Cary Fukunaga

The theoretical casting part of movies is the funnest part. You really can imagine so many different versions of a story, based on who's embodying it.

~Cary Fukunaga

I have tremendous faith that there will be greater films to come.

~Cary Fukunaga

I have aspirations of making a big, historical epic. I don't know if I'll ever get the money to do it.

~Cary Fukunaga

You only have so much time in life so everything you do needs to mean something to you.

~Cary Fukunaga

You're always against the clock. But really just fighting for quality.

~Cary Fukunaga

The apartments are made for eels.

~Cary Fukunaga

I don't really put trophies out. I don't keep trophies around my apartment.

~Cary Fukunaga

If you have something really important you want to say, you have to read your audience, I guess.

~Cary Fukunaga

You have to tease enough misinformation and lack of information to hopefully make people want more.

~Cary Fukunaga

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