

Chiwetel Ejiofor Quotes

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I was the classic middle child in some ways, the one who could have been a priest in an alternate universe.

~Chiwetel Ejiofor

I like to disappear into a role. I equate the success of it with a feeling of being chemically changed.

~Chiwetel Ejiofor

I've just tried to keep my eyes open, tried to read everything you can, and tried to see whether I see myself within it. If I do, then I can get excited about it.

~Chiwetel Ejiofor

The only way to be an actor is to find ways to work as an actor, even if that means doing a one-man show by a river.

~Chiwetel Ejiofor

When I first had my eyebrows waxed, I was pretty disturbed.

~Chiwetel Ejiofor

All roads lead home in the end. You've got to keep that in mind always - in your work and in your life.

~Chiwetel Ejiofor

I enjoy doing everything, comedy and drama. I just look for the characters really and what they offer.

~Chiwetel Ejiofor

I've always liked the idea of being a father. And I've always romanticised it, because I lost my father when I was young. In a way, all of the complications that come with my career are about that.

~Chiwetel Ejiofor

It's a strange thing, but you get this click in your brain; the wonderful

feeling that the entirety of a character is suddenly available and accessible to you.

~Chiwetel Ejiofor

I started working as an actor, semi-professionally, when I was 16, and got my first professional gig at 19. I guess I've kind of worked pretty consistently since then.

~Chiwetel Ejiofor

David Mamet was great to work with. He was everything that I thought he would be as a director. He's incredibly articulate, an easy collaborator. Extraordinarily knowledgeable about film and writing.

~Chiwetel Ejiofor

A lot of people ask me about my father's passing when I was young, which I'm never comfortable with. I invariably move around that subject.

~Chiwetel Ejiofor

Reporters tend to launch on what seems to be the clearest, most stark aspects of someone's life in terms of an interview.

~Chiwetel Ejiofor

I wouldn't be the same actor if I couldn't do theater.

~Chiwetel Ejiofor

I believe people instinctively know that about writing, yet people get confused about that when it comes to acting.

~Chiwetel Ejiofor

I think the crucial thing about being an actor is to be doing it.

~Chiwetel Ejiofor

The thing about film is it is a very precise form. You know if you have it

and you know if you don't have it. There's not really a middle bit where you're like, "I think we kind of have that scene."

~Chiwetel Ejiofor

I would love to be a fly on the wall watching other directors and actors to see what their process is like.

~Chiwetel Ejiofor

I'm constantly discovering things. Like Bobby Bland. Right now I suppose I'm into the Eighties, which turned out to be a great musical period.

~Chiwetel Ejiofor

Id never really considered film. If Id thought about film more growing up, I probably would have changed my name. I had no concept of my name in lights.

~Chiwetel Ejiofor

In England, theres no acknowledgement the invention of slavery came from Britain.

~Chiwetel Ejiofor

My father, Arinze Ejiofor , was a musician and a doctor. Nobody's ever asked me about that combination and what growing up in that environment was like.

~Chiwetel Ejiofor

I think Africa will have a crisper impact on Europe, as it has traditionally, and then that will filter into the American cultural psyche, in the way that India has.

~Chiwetel Ejiofor

There's always something ridiculous happening on the set, especially when people get tired because of the long days.

~Chiwetel Ejiofor

I fell in love with film. I didn't start out to be a film actor. I wanted to be a theater actor.

~Chiwetel Ejiofor

My music tastes are often 20 years behind.

~Chiwetel Ejiofor

I've always enjoyed doing a huge variety of roles, which I think helps, instead of settling for the things I might be most comfortable with.

~Chiwetel Ejiofor

I do like sci-fi. When I was a kid, I was always sort of locked into sci-fi stories. So, sci-fi has always had a special place in my heart.

~Chiwetel Ejiofor

I was always lucky that I've always had a gig, I'm fortunate in that way.

~Chiwetel Ejiofor

Ridley creates a very immersive world, so when you walk up to a Ridley Scott film set you're in Ridley Scott's imagination, and it's a really comfortable, cool place to be.

~Chiwetel Ejiofor

Working in this industry, I do feel that science and creativity turned out to be a very useful combination for me.

~Chiwetel Ejiofor

I don't ever feel like I've had a moment where I am like, "There it is; perfect and holy in all ways."

~Chiwetel Ejiofor

I have always been very fortunate in my working life in terms of the, I

say that like I've not been fortunate at all in my private life.

~Chiwetel Ejiofor

I think fear is a very healthy motivator.

~Chiwetel Ejiofor

I'm in favor of anything that promotes greener solutions.

~Chiwetel Ejiofor

I started off doing plays as a theater actor. But I never thought of it in terms of it leading anywhere. I was just trying to be the best actor that I could be in the context of what I was doing.

~Chiwetel Ejiofor

That global poverty would end. That people would be able to eat. It's the worst shame in the world that people go hungry.

~Chiwetel Ejiofor

I'm constantly looking to see whether I look the same as I did earlier, whether I've put on or lost any weight.

~Chiwetel Ejiofor

I feel that audiences are very sophisticated, and part of my challenge is to keep them engaged because they are so complex.

~Chiwetel Ejiofor

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