

Chris Hardwick

Quotes

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We're not in an information age anymore. We're in the information management age.

~Chris Hardwick

Nerds get caught up in minutiae, because there is a tremendous and fulfilling sense of control in understanding every single detail of a thing more than any other living creature.

~Chris Hardwick

Bowling is all physics and energy distribution. It's $F = ma$. So it is actually one of the most science-y sports, because it literally is just a ball and a surface and objects to knock down.

~Chris Hardwick

I honestly think hipsters eat with their assholes because they consume everything wrong.

~Chris Hardwick

When you hang around a lot of comedians long enough, you realize there's a certain gene, in every comedian. It's why we get hyper-analytical about things.

~Chris Hardwick

I do seem like the kind of guy who'd be obsessive about Rubik's Cubes.

~Chris Hardwick

No matter what tricks you use or what decisions you make, go easy on yourself as someone who's on a never-ending quest for improvement.

~Chris Hardwick

Steal moments of happiness if you have to, and then collect them until they are the dominant images in your psyche.

~Chris Hardwick

I almost think of nerd brains as rattlesnake venom; like, you can milk it. You can milk the pulpy venom out of the nerd brain and use it for good if you want to.

~Chris Hardwick

You walk into a strip club with a wad of cash; they all flock around you. Strippers are just pigeons with tits. They go where the bread is.

~Chris Hardwick

Humans cannot produce viable offspring with our closest animal cousin: the chimpanzee. We cannot impregnate a chimp. So you know what that means? No condoms.

~Chris Hardwick

I've gone from being bullied by jocks as a kid to being bullied by nerds as an adult.

~Chris Hardwick

I'm fascinated by people's process. Everyone's process is a little bit different, and just to see the different paths that people take to get where they are is really interesting to me.

~Chris Hardwick

I spent a lot of time bowling as a kid, mostly because I grew up in bowling alleys. They were kind of my playgrounds.

~Chris Hardwick

When I was in school, if you wanted a computer, you had to build one. But today, computers are everywhere. We're all obsessed with technology and having the latest gadgets. Nerd culture is ubiquitous.

~Chris Hardwick

There's something about shooting webs out of my wrists and climbing up things that just makes me happy.

~Chris Hardwick

If you have the opportunity to try different things, you should try different things and step outside your comfort zone and see what works and what doesn't work.

~Chris Hardwick

Every year on my birthday, I start a new playlist titled after my current age so I can keep track of my favorite songs of the year as a sort of musical diary because I am a teenage girl.

~Chris Hardwick

Don't tell television, but there is some superior programming being made on the Interwebz.

~Chris Hardwick

The 'Hipster Nerds' like stuff because they hate it. It's like they ironically like it.

~Chris Hardwick

My best friend, Wil Wheaton, identifies himself as a geek.

~Chris Hardwick

Comic-Con is nerd Christmas. People go wanting to have fun.

~Chris Hardwick

Fleetwood Mac is just one of my all-time favorite bands.

~Chris Hardwick

Jokes that make me laugh out loud when I write them almost always bomb. I have no idea why.

~Chris Hardwick

What's more unnerving than magnetism, ghosts, and unpurified water?

Gadgetmongers who purport to protect us from metaphysical monsters that go bump in the New Age night.

~Chris Hardwick

Worry is a misuse of your imagination.

~Chris Hardwick

Real philosophy is like trying to read an alarm system installation manual in Korean.

~Chris Hardwick

The nerdist movement is less about consumers; there is a large contingent that are creative nerdists instead of consumers.

~Chris Hardwick

Our mandate at Nerdist is that we only get involved with nice people around things that we love. We have the luxury of being in the demographic that we're programming for.

~Chris Hardwick

If you can build your career around your passions, then you're winning in life; that's one of the best things you can ask for.

~Chris Hardwick

I have opinions about the differences between Memphis barbecue and Texas barbecue. Put me in the kitchen and you'll see how Southern I can be.

~Chris Hardwick

There's no ironic appreciation of things we love, even of things that are in fact ridiculous, which a hipster might take and own and show the world the humor in it.

~Chris Hardwick

I learned not to confuse 'busy' with 'productive,' but I'm still far too addicted to email to resist its early-morning digital snuggles.

~Chris Hardwick

I don't know if the podcast as a medium will ever have the cultural impact that TV and movies do. It may never be super-mainstream.

~Chris Hardwick

Any nerd who grew up around the time that I did, BBC programming was a treasure chest for us.

~Chris Hardwick

We just make stuff that we think is funny and fun, and I think that's the most you can do. I think if you're chasing virality, it just feels desperate.

~Chris Hardwick

I dated around some, but I've always been a serial monogamist. I don't know how people date around a lot, and not want to stab themselves in the face with a sharp object.

~Chris Hardwick

Things that are viral are things that motivate people to say I have to share this with everyone I know, and that has been more politics lately, and that's completely understandable.

~Chris Hardwick

Rats are just Ziploc bags full of disease.

~Chris Hardwick

Nerdists, unlike nerds, tend to be creators as much as consumers. They're creative consumers.

~Chris Hardwick

I would say that nerds, as a rule, are much more sexually active than

the average person. There's a lot of anxiety and stress in the nerd brain, so sex is good for that.

~Chris Hardwick

If you're going into stand-up, you're hyper-analyzing the world and asking as many questions about a thing as you possibly can so you can figure out the ultimate nature of that thing.

~Chris Hardwick

My mom is a big sports fans. Basketball, football, baseball, whatever. She calls into sports radio shows and gets into shouting matches, that's how intense she is about it.

~Chris Hardwick

I am a freelancer. My services are available to anyone at any time.

~Chris Hardwick

When comedians get successful, the fans that they have aren't the fans they would hang out with. I don't have that problem.

~Chris Hardwick

Traditionally nerd-based culture is now a big sector of pop culture.

~Chris Hardwick

The podcast movement was really a creative survival mechanism for standup comics.

~Chris Hardwick

The lifeblood of YouTube is sharing.

~Chris Hardwick

Like lycanthropy, the nerd gene can skip a generation. My maternal grandfather was a technophile.

~Chris Hardwick

It's funny: when I first started getting vocal about how much I liked 'Doctor Who,' I didn't realize how deep the fan base was.

~Chris Hardwick

In the '90s, you couldn't say the word 'nerd' to someone when pitching a show. They would have considered that too niche and wouldn't have listened.

~Chris Hardwick

If I wasn't acting or doing stand-up, I would be in animation. Or if I had the discipline I might study physics.

~Chris Hardwick

I've been out of work so many times in my life that relying too much on just one job is terrifying.

~Chris Hardwick

I think being an outcast is what sort of strengthens the nerd movement, because you're isolated, so you have time.

~Chris Hardwick

I played tournament chess from fifth grade up into high school.

~Chris Hardwick

I like listening to people talk about things that they love. They get to express things they don't normally get to express.

~Chris Hardwick

I had a personal blog, but why does anyone care that I went shopping for hats?

~Chris Hardwick

I feel like so much of why I sort of want to work in television is so that people know to come see me live.

~Chris Hardwick

I don't really read reviews and comments that much. There just isn't a lot to be gained from it.

~Chris Hardwick

With stand-up, there's a little bit of an exaggerated reality because things have to be manipulated to create comedy, to create jokes.

~Chris Hardwick

The worst day ever was when I found out my grandfather was going to die.

~Chris Hardwick

Comedy has sort of been my life-long obsession. I literally obsessed over comedy. I really didn't play sports - for me it was just comedy, computers and chess club; those were my big things.

~Chris Hardwick

When you first start working, you take whatever job is offered, because you have to build your resume. But you don't think about what you're building.

~Chris Hardwick

Any time you're lucky enough to get on a show people watch, it's a good thing.

~Chris Hardwick

Trying to make strangers laugh is crazy and more than a little narcissistic.

~Chris Hardwick

The goal of almost every comic is to find a comedy voice - a specific point of view that an audience can latch onto.

~Chris Hardwick

You can't throw money at the Internet to make it work - it really is all about the quality of the content.

~Chris Hardwick

Twitter is really a hyper-distilled version of how the internet should work - short bursts of relatively useful information.

~Chris Hardwick

We're gonna have fun, god***it!

~Chris Hardwick

Comment threads are the new therapy for people. They just go and post the worst things they can think of because they feel bad, and then other people start attacking them, and then they attack back.

~Chris Hardwick

If you wish to achieve any success in this life, do your best to surround yourself with an orgy of good choices.

~Chris Hardwick

Be offended by everything or be offended by nothing.

~Chris Hardwick

A big company is like trying to steer a luxury liner.

~Chris Hardwick

Bowling really was a big American sport in the '50s, '60s, and '70s, and then it kind of died off in the '80s.

~Chris Hardwick

I probably get one or two days off every five or six weeks.

~Chris Hardwick

We didn't understand irony yet in the '80s; we just kind of existed at face value, so there was no nerd cool yet because the digital revolution was still in its infancy.

~Chris Hardwick

If you do a joke that's really old, then what happens is people on Reddit and Twitter just go, 'Real original, you're just doing old jokes!' But bands do it all the time.

~Chris Hardwick

Some people learn comedy, and some people just are comedy.

~Chris Hardwick

Stand-up isn't something I just sit down and start writing - it's ideas you come up with in the shower, while you're driving, waiting in line.

~Chris Hardwick

The thing about hipsters is that they take very seriously trying to make themselves look like they don't take themselves seriously.

~Chris Hardwick

Playing Xbox for 23 hours straight is cool and all, but I'm going to teach you how to spend time on things in your life that will get you the following two things: paid and laid.

~Chris Hardwick

Alcohol is like pouring smiles on your brain.

~Chris Hardwick

Sober strip clubs are horrible. When you are sober you see the matrix code behind a strip club. You're paying girls to pretend to like you until you run out of money so they can walk away.

~Chris Hardwick

When I was in grade school I was into chess club, Latin club, D&D, computer camp - everything that made vaginas go away.

~Chris Hardwick

It's so much easier to give advice than to take it.

~Chris Hardwick

I do podcasts for the same reasons I do stand-up comedy. I love it, and I don't care if anybody else gets it.

~Chris Hardwick

The difference being that a nerd would wear a D&D shirt because he loves D&D while a hipster would wear a D&D shirt because it's ridiculous that he is wearing a D&D shirt.

~Chris Hardwick

Mainstream culture is like your mom: It's always a little late to catch on and gets easily confused by technology, but it means well.

~Chris Hardwick

I'm just gonna do a podcast because it's mine, I can control it, I have complete responsibility over it, and no one can touch it.

~Chris Hardwick

One of the many reasons why I love stand-up so much is when you're performing, you get instant feedback. You know if stuff is working right away.

~Chris Hardwick

Stand-up for me is usually a weekend thing. I go out of town and just do it.

~Chris Hardwick

I'm not fun to bowl with. I take it way too seriously. I have high

expectations for myself.

~Chris Hardwick

There's a lot of laughing on a horror movie set. They're magical in that way.

~Chris Hardwick

Growing up in the 70s and 80s, it took effort to be a nerd. You had to seek out the nerd stuff.

~Chris Hardwick

There's a lot of money being generated by nerds right now. Bill Gates, Mark Zuckerberg, the list goes on and on. Nerds make more money than our government. And with money comes power.

~Chris Hardwick

I hate to say it, but because of humanity's capitalistic nature, money is important.

~Chris Hardwick

It changed my whole outlook. I lost a decade to self-pity, and the next thing I knew I was turning 40.

~Chris Hardwick

Do you think Patrick Swayze now goes up behind people in pottery classes and hugs them just to crack up other ghosts?

~Chris Hardwick

I think doing the podcast may have been one of the best career decisions I've ever made in my life.

~Chris Hardwick

I do lots of crowd work in my set, because I enjoy writing material through riffing and conversation.

~Chris Hardwick

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