

Chuck Jones Quotes

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Fog and smog should not be confused and are easily separated by color.

~Chuck Jones

Animation isn't the illusion of life; it is life

~Chuck Jones

If you start with character, you probably will end up with good drawings.

~Chuck Jones

The rules are simple. Take your work, but never yourself, seriously. Pour in the love and whatever skill you have, and it will come out.

~Chuck Jones

Animation means to invoke life, not to imitate it.

~Chuck Jones

Bugs is who we want to be. Daffy is who we are.

~Chuck Jones

All worthwhile endeavors are 90% work and 10% love, and only the love should show.

~Chuck Jones

Every artist has thousands of bad drawings in them and the only way to get rid of them is to draw them out.

~Chuck Jones

You can't force inspiration. It's like trying to catch a butterfly with a hoop but no net. If you keep your mind open and receptive, though, one day a butterfly will land on your finger.

~Chuck Jones

An animator is an actor with a pencil.

~Chuck Jones

Disney was not a good animator, he didn't draw well at all, but he was always a great idea man, and a good writer.

~Chuck Jones

A lion's work hours are only when he's hungry; once he's satisfied, the predator and prey live peacefully together.

~Chuck Jones

You do not 'suffer' if you decide 'that's the way it is' rather than 'why is it this way?'

~Chuck Jones

Anyone can negatively criticize - it is the cheapest of all comment because it requires not a modicum of the effort that suggestion requires.

~Chuck Jones

Eschew the ordinary, disdain the commonplace. If you have a single-minded need for something, let it be the unusual, the esoteric, the bizarre, the unexpected.

~Chuck Jones

Often Anxiety is the hand maiden of creativity.

~Chuck Jones

Once you have heard a strange audience burst into laughter at a film you directed, you realize what the word joy is all about.

~Chuck Jones

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The weatherman is not only blamed for his failure to foretell, he is blamed for the weather itself.

~Chuck Jones

The whole essence of good drawing - and of good thinking, perhaps - is to work a subject down to the simplest form possible and still have it believable for what it is meant to be.

~Chuck Jones

Jackie Gleason said that comedy is the most exacting form of dramatic art, because it has an instant critic: laughter.

~Chuck Jones

If you want a midget to look like a baby, don't put a cigar in his mouth.

~Chuck Jones

There is absolutely no inevitability as long as there is the willingness to think.

~Chuck Jones

We must not confuse distortion with innovation; distortion is useless change, art is beneficial change.

~Chuck Jones

All of you here have one hundred thousand bad drawings in you. The sooner you get rid of them, the better it will be for everyone.

~Chuck Jones

As you become acquainted with a character you are creating, you add parts of yourself that are pertinent to that character.

~Chuck Jones

I have to think as Bugs Bunny, not of Bugs Bunny.

~Chuck Jones

Well, directing is doing the key drawings, not the key animation, mind you.

~Chuck Jones

Painting does what we cannot do—it brings a three-dimensional world into a two-dimensional plane.

~Chuck Jones

When critics sit in judgment it is hard to tell where justice leaves off and vengeance begins.

~Chuck Jones

The older I get, the more individuality I find in animals and the less I find in humans.

~Chuck Jones

I'm still astonished that somebody would offer me a job and pay me to do what I wanted to do.

~Chuck Jones

The only time a wife listens to her husband is when he's asleep.

~Chuck Jones

Early experiences convinced me that animals can and do have quite distinct personalities.

~Chuck Jones

Comedy is unusual people in real situations; farce is real people in unusual situations.

~Chuck Jones

A comedian is not a person who opens a funny door - he's the person who opens a door funny.

~Chuck Jones

Human beings will line up for miles to buy a bucket of catastrophes, but don't try selling sunshine and light - you'll go broke.

~Chuck Jones

Comedy is a very, very, very stringent business.

~Chuck Jones

Each character represented a trait that resides in me.

~Chuck Jones

You have a coyote inside you and you have to get it out

~Chuck Jones

Artists don't need criticism, artists need love

~Chuck Jones

Mark Twain's *Roughing It* is a book that many people don't know about, but I highly recommend to anybody at any age.

~Chuck Jones

The close-up, according to D.W. Griffith, allows subtle changes of facial expression-the raising of an eyebrow or the flicker of a smile-to become part of the action.

~Chuck Jones

The name 'Chuck Jones', according to my uncle, limited my choice of profession to second baseman or cartoonist.

~Chuck Jones

Dell is to a degree in the penalty box because expectations and probable results have gotten ratcheted down.

~Chuck Jones

In 1918, when I was 6 or 7 years old, radio was just coming into use in

the Great War.

~Chuck Jones

Censorship, I believe, is the most dangerous enemy to all human communication, and piety of intention is probably the most dangerous, the most virulent and the most self-satisfying.

~Chuck Jones

The road is better than the inn.

~Chuck Jones

You've got a million bad drawings in you; you better get started.

~Chuck Jones

I started reading when I was about three, a little over three.

~Chuck Jones

If you were to draw Bugs, the easiest way is to learn how to draw a carrot and then hook a rabbit onto it

~Chuck Jones

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