

Colin Firth

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Because I am an Englishman I spent most of my life in a state of embarrassment.

~Colin Firth

I'm fully aware that if I were to change professions tomorrow, become an astronaut and be the first man to land on Mars, the headlines in the newspapers would read: `Mr. Darcy Lands on Mars.

~Colin Firth

I would rather five people knew my work and thought it was good work than five million knew me and were indifferent.

~Colin Firth

My singing voice is somewhere between a drunken apology and a plumbing problem.

~Colin Firth

My grandmother was a minister as well, which was not that common in the 1930s.

~Colin Firth

My looks aren't something that come dazzlingly through in everything I do. I can be made to look one way or the other fairly easily... I am still not recognised on the street that much.

~Colin Firth

I like playing strange characters. Some people might say it has something to do with a hidden part of myself, but I think it's a lot simpler than that: normal people are just not very interesting.

~Colin Firth

I think everyone is throwing happy stuff at you, and that's when you come over all humbug. It's happy stuff in your face, happy stuff is being sold to you.

~Colin Firth

Whenever you take on playing a villain, he has to cease to be a villain to you. If you judge this man by his time, he's doing very little wrong.

~Colin Firth

I always thought the biggest failing of Americans was their lack of irony. They are very serious there! Naturally, there are exceptions... the Jewish, Italian, and Irish humor of the East Coast.

~Colin Firth

I was delighted to become a popular-culture reference point. I'm still delighted about it actually, and I still find it to be weird.

~Colin Firth

I absolutely don't care about my looks and I'm so used to them that I wouldn't change a thing. I would end up missing my defects.

~Colin Firth

To be bothered wherever you go - it's not a rational thing to want at all.

~Colin Firth

It does help to actually realize that however stunning the person who is, you know, fluttering eyelashes at you, she doesn't do anything to match up to your wife.

~Colin Firth

Maybe it's shallow of me to have a wife that's so beautiful, but it makes things easier. To me she's the most beautiful woman in the world.

~Colin Firth

I'll be your friend so long as you're not crap

~Colin Firth

Bridget Jones is part of literary lore now and actually to be a part of it is enormously flattering.

~Colin Firth

I don't know if there's a problem with original ideas... I think a healthy film industry should have a good supply of good, original writing.

~Colin Firth

Forget trying to be sexy. That's just gruesome.

~Colin Firth

I thought I was managing my expectations, but on hearing the news I discovered new and unfamiliar vocal tones. Perhaps I should do another musical.

~Colin Firth

I have a kind of neutrality, physically, which has helped me. I have a face that can be made to look a lot better - or a lot worse.

~Colin Firth

I think it's quite extraordinary that people cast me as if I'm Warren Beatty: until I met my present wife, at the age of 35, you could name two girlfriends.

~Colin Firth

However good a communicator a director is, unless they've been actors, it's just not the same as the shorthand you get with someone who's been an actor.

~Colin Firth

Hollywood hasn't aggressively pursued me. Neither have I aggressively pursued Hollywood.

~Colin Firth

You have to be ill if you want to get better.

~Colin Firth

I love you even when you're sick and look disgusting.

~Colin Firth

I'm just the last English twit, really.

~Colin Firth

As much as the next person, I want to be approved of, but I'm not greedy for that stuff.

~Colin Firth

People have the idea of missionaries as going out with the Bible and hitting natives with it. It's not really what they were doing. They were all doing something rather different.

~Colin Firth

We've always been involved with America - I have a son who lives there and it's a big part of my life.

~Colin Firth

No matter how much technique you draw on or how much training you have, acting is a mystery.

~Colin Firth

Looking in the mirror, staring back at me isn't so much a face as the expression of a predicament.

~Colin Firth

If you're playing someone who's got marital problems, you have to play someone who's trying not to have marital problems. So, you've got to get into the problem first.

~Colin Firth

The last thing I would attempt to do is to buy clothes for a child I didn't know well.

~Colin Firth

On his fight scene with Hugh Grant in Bridget Jones: It was a delicious experience.

~Colin Firth

I never saw myself as Mr. Ugly, but I'm not that handsome. I can sort of be made to look quite a lot better or quite a lot worse.

~Colin Firth

I do think I'm a character actor.

~Colin Firth

It used to be that I was always paranoid or a loser or something so there's usually something that you seem to associate yourself with at one time or another.

~Colin Firth

I can't bring you absolute truth in the detailed factual sense. All I can do is bring you an interpretation as I understand it. That's all you can ever get from an actor.

~Colin Firth

I have a very long relationship with America. My mother grew up there and I felt to some extent that I partly belong there. I was schooled there briefly for about a year.

~Colin Firth

And that is a hard route for a woman to come through. There's still a lot of roles that have to be conformed to. It's quite an old fashioned environment in a lot of ways.

~Colin Firth

Most actors will tell you they have some sort of dream of doing something other than what they're doing.

~Colin Firth

So, if you haven't picked up some tips during an apprenticeship like that, you shouldn't be directing. It doesn't mean you can do it, but it loads you up with information.

~Colin Firth

The great thing about dealing with people about whom we have historical resources, is that if the writing needs work, there's everywhere to go to enrich it.

~Colin Firth

If I were to write a book about the progress of getting to a third film, it would be a long one.

~Colin Firth

I haven't had to struggle very much. I haven't paid my dues. I think I have been lucky.

~Colin Firth

I'm not patient, and some things drive me crazy. In my work, I get incredibly upset when people don't get it right or don't respect others' needs.

~Colin Firth

When I look in the mirror, I don't see my Dad, I see my grandmother. For a while it was my mother looking back at me. If only it was my Dad.

~Colin Firth

Less racist now but it has been. I don't think it's been completely stamped out. There's a class element to it. And who's supposed to do what. You're very unlikely to get a gay grip.

~Colin Firth

Nothing brings you closer together than blind terror.

~Colin Firth

The Hollywood Foreign Press have just given me a time out from my 20-year midlife crisis. My heartfelt thanks to them.

~Colin Firth

I often think it can often be very difficult for comedians to revisit the same gag. I think Russell's a bit more than a comedian.

~Colin Firth

Firth - all dodgy 'tache and frantic eyebrows - has got the sexual allure of a man who runs a swingers' club in Surbiton.

~Colin Firth

'La Dolce Vita' made we want to go to Rome and, if not jump into the Trevi Fountain, at least watch someone else do it. Maybe that's why I married an Italian...!

~Colin Firth

I don't know if this qualifies as gentle reassurance, but right now this is all that stands between me and a Harley-Davidson.

~Colin Firth

Comedy - particularly the frothy and frivolous - is notoriously neglected by festivals and awards. But it's bloody hard to get right.

~Colin Firth

Sometimes to think about why some institutions are stable, it's interesting to go one generation back and look at the author of that stability.

~Colin Firth

I do notice that when I've been away and I come back to London. People look at you. People are ready to pick arguments.

~Colin Firth

I'd love to try my hand at something else.

~Colin Firth

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