

Darren Aronofsky

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Comic books and graphic novels are a great medium. It's incredibly underused.

~Darren Aronofsky

Turning 30 was when my parents both got cancer and were fighting it and beat it, but their mortality started to get to me. Everything wasn't as hunky-dory like it was.

~Darren Aronofsky

As filmmakers, we can show where a person's mind goes, as opposed to theater, which is more to sit back and watch it.

~Darren Aronofsky

I had some big ups and downs when I was in my 20s and the one thing I learned was, no matter how low it gets, something good will come along - something always comes out of that dark period.

~Darren Aronofsky

I think it's important as a filmmaker, as any person working in the arts, that you've got to try new stuff and challenge yourself and take chances.

~Darren Aronofsky

I couldn't sleep one night and I was sitting in my office and I realized that I was an independent filmmaker.

~Darren Aronofsky

I'm Godless. I've had to make my God, and my God is narrative filmmaking

~Darren Aronofsky

I hope that Requiem is better than Pi. I hope that Pi is better than my student films, and I'm hoping that I'm getting better as I get older.

~Darren Aronofsky

At the end of Requiem all I wanted to do was get a DV camera and just do a small film. But then the hunger comes back.

~Darren Aronofsky

Every film had its own grammar. And it's your job as a director to basically figure out a language to tell a story.

~Darren Aronofsky

Casting ethnic characters is a very hard thing to do, but it's important. It's also interesting.

~Darren Aronofsky

Also expressionistic filmmaking - making the audience feel like they were inside the characters' heads. And so we create all these different types of techniques to put the audience there.

~Darren Aronofsky

I think people are people and if their feelings are real and truthful, they can connect.

~Darren Aronofsky

For too long we have been taking, and the Earth has been giving. But that free-for-all, that all-you-can-eat buffet, it's over. The salad bar is closed.

~Darren Aronofsky

Animators have to live life 24 times as long as we do - every 24 frames of a second.

~Darren Aronofsky

I've spent a life loving women and studying them as much as I can, or am allowed to.

~Darren Aronofsky

Now there is so much expertise and brainpower it's hard to be at the cutting edge of what's cool and not do something that's totally geeky.

~Darren Aronofsky

I was 12 or 13 years old. So I started to write poetry and fiction, even though I was really into biology because my dad was a science teacher. I kept writing all those years.

~Darren Aronofsky

I'm not a comic book guy at all.

~Darren Aronofsky

I only want to work with actors that really get it and make it work. I didn't want it to be a star-driven thing anymore.

~Darren Aronofsky

I have a team, the same team of filmmakers I worked with on 'Pi' and 'Requiem'. Which is my cameraman, and my composer, and my producer. We've all worked together for a number of films.

~Darren Aronofsky

My god is narrative filmmaking.

~Darren Aronofsky

I spent about a year and a half doing technical post work on 'The Fountain'. Although I do like the process, I think my favorite part of filmmaking is the actors.

~Darren Aronofsky

To me, watching a movie is like going to an amusement park. My worst fear is making a film that people don't think is a good ride.

~Darren Aronofsky

'Angel Heart' was one of my favorite films.

~Darren Aronofsky

When I go to movies I generally want to be taken to another world.

~Darren Aronofsky

I think it's my nature to try and make original content, and that's what I've done, is just try and approach things in an original way, and do things differently.

~Darren Aronofsky

I've always wanted to introduce hip-hop filmmaking to film. There's hip-hop art, dance, music, but there really isn't hip-hop film. So I was trying to do that.

~Darren Aronofsky

I was a TV junkie as a kid. I am the Sesame Street generation.

~Darren Aronofsky

In the story, which is only a few chapters long in Genesis, Noah never even speaks until after the flood - but when you have Russell Crowe, you're going to make him speak.

~Darren Aronofsky

I think I came to film-making through writing. I started to write, and people, teachers, responded to my writing.

~Darren Aronofsky

I'm Godless. And so I've had to make my God, and my God is narrative filmmaking, which is -- ultimately what my God becomes, which is what my mantra becomes, is the theme.

~Darren Aronofsky

But steady-cams are very different than hand-helds, because hand-held gives you that verite feel.

~Darren Aronofsky

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