

David Johansen

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Music is my love and to me acting is more mercenary. I don't pound the pavements for roles: if it happens, it happens. I hate that auditioning thing.

~David Johansen

I've been around the block a couple of times, and the guy I am now is the guy I like to be.

~David Johansen

When I'm sleeping I do a lot of living.

~David Johansen

It's really a drag to do the same project over and over again.

~David Johansen

I've been tired since I was 15.

~David Johansen

Playing music is the best thing in the world. It makes show business almost bearable.

~David Johansen

I'm doing exactly what I want to do, and I'm having fun doing it.

~David Johansen

Sometimes when I hear my voice on tape, I'm like, 'Who is that horrible man?'

~David Johansen

The world today is the same as it always was but people know more about what's going on in the world than they used to.

~David Johansen

I don't know why I'm alive but I know there's a reason for it.

~David Johansen

Most bands are commercial enterprises. But I'm not in one of those bands.

~David Johansen

A lot of stuff I do, 10 years later it becomes popular.

~David Johansen

I listen to a lot of different kinds of music.

~David Johansen

When I was a kid, I had some Charles Lloyd records.

~David Johansen

Until I was six years old we lived in the projects, then my two brothers and three sisters and I moved to a three-bed that my mother's father built.

~David Johansen

My father was a Norwegian tenor and my mother a New York Irish librarian.

~David Johansen

I still do a lot of shows with Brian Koonin, but we haven't had a full band lately.

~David Johansen

The first Latin music that blew my mind was bumba, which was a Puerto Rican beat.

~David Johansen

Young people are still looking and older people have found.

~David Johansen

I don't really like to sit around the house listening to my own records. They're not that good.

~David Johansen

As I recall, my life as a child was so all-consuming that I barely had time to consider the future.

~David Johansen

Everything I've done I've just fallen into.

~David Johansen

Rock & Rollers don't dress for the weather.

~David Johansen

I mean, if you asked me what I'm going to be doing when I'm 85, I'd make a quick picture in my mind and, well, I'll be singing.

~David Johansen

I got arrested once on stage in Memphis for looking too much like Liza Minnelli.

~David Johansen

I'm not impersonating anybody. I'm perfectly satisfied with what I am.

~David Johansen

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