

Debbie Reynolds

Quotes

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I gave it all that I had, and it's gratifying that others seem to be receiving it so well.

~Debbie Reynolds

Singin' in the Rain (1952) and childbirth were the two hardest things I ever had to do in my life.

~Debbie Reynolds

The only way you learn is by failure.

~Debbie Reynolds

I think you should control yourself a little bit, so you can walk, and when you die, you can walk to your own funeral.

~Debbie Reynolds

Anything worthwhile is hard, and dancing is very hard, and if you've ever studied dancing of any kind you'd know that to be in precision, three people dancing together.

~Debbie Reynolds

I do twenty minutes every time the refrigerator door opens and the light comes on.

~Debbie Reynolds

I'll just stay in [show business] till they stuff me like Trigger, when I drop dead.

~Debbie Reynolds

I wanted to get that sense of peace and even boredom that comes with long familiarity.

~Debbie Reynolds

If you're a dancer, study singing. You have to do everything and do it well. You have to study acting. You have to study all of it. You have to

find workshops, get out on the stage...and fail.

~Debbie Reynolds

I think one of my favourite films is 'Dark Victory' with Bette Davis. Why? She was so wonderful in that film. And maybe I just want a good cry once in a while without having to go through a divorce.

~Debbie Reynolds

You have to keep practicing, if you're really going to be good.

~Debbie Reynolds

Do I run around deploring the world? No. I'm just not into it. I was brought up that way.

~Debbie Reynolds

That's what a writer does; they make things up and that makes for good reading.

~Debbie Reynolds

As you train and as you develop your talents, you do get better, hopefully, or you get out of the business.

~Debbie Reynolds

I stopped making movies because I don't like taking my clothes off. Maybe it's realism, but in my opinion, it's utter filth.

~Debbie Reynolds

If I ever stop working, I might have a problem. But I never seem to be able to stop working.

~Debbie Reynolds

I feel sorry for the young people today. I think there's too much paparazzi and not enough protection.

~Debbie Reynolds

I miss the movies. Still, I understood that my kind of movie has had its day. I thought it was over for me.

~Debbie Reynolds

We've lost a lot of our great stars. I can't hang out with those who aren't here. The phone service to heaven is so bad, you know. But I get to visit with their memories.

~Debbie Reynolds

Every secret gets known to the world.

~Debbie Reynolds

I had a lot of fun with Frank Sinatra, because he was such a hooligan, and so to himself, he was the king, and everything was his way, and I enjoyed watching that.

~Debbie Reynolds

I do a lot of things wrong. I lose my temper, and I hate waiting in line, but do I take drugs? No.

~Debbie Reynolds

I always avoid not working.

~Debbie Reynolds

I think the press does, too; it's just the few crazies and paparazzi that give them a bad name. Real writers write good things. My daughter's a writer, and she's a quality writer.

~Debbie Reynolds

I don't have to retire to be happy.

~Debbie Reynolds

I guess a lot of things happen still.

~Debbie Reynolds

I'm not a big shoot-em-up, bang-bang. I like romantic films.

~Debbie Reynolds

I just think there's more paparazzi, there's more cable TV, there's millions of networks now, there's more paparazzi. People liked gossip then, and they like gossip now.

~Debbie Reynolds

If you're a dancer, study singing.

~Debbie Reynolds

Marilyn Monroe was a very sweet girl, she was a very innocent girl.

~Debbie Reynolds

I started to earn money because we didn't have money.

~Debbie Reynolds

I don't give parties, and I'm not in that social scene. I couldn't care less.

~Debbie Reynolds

If you have a secret, keep it to yourself.

~Debbie Reynolds

I have over five thousand costumes and props and cars, and I have a twenty-five thousand square foot warehouse full of memorabilia.

~Debbie Reynolds

I'm just a movie fan. I used to go to the movies just to watch movies.

~Debbie Reynolds

Gene Kelly was a great dancer and I was lucky to be in 'Singin' in the Rain.' He was my teacher when I was 17 years old, when he was 37 years old. He taught me everything.

~Debbie Reynolds

One take, so you better be ready and you better be good. One take and that was it. It was something that was spontaneous. Both Sid Caesar and Jackie Gleason was like that as well.

~Debbie Reynolds

I loved working with Bette Davis. Bette Davis was great to work with and a wonderful teacher, and very kind to me. We became good friends.

~Debbie Reynolds

My belief also is that Marilyn Monroe passed away long before she should have left us.

~Debbie Reynolds

I lead such a boring life.

~Debbie Reynolds

I'll be like Irving Berlin: "There's no business like show business."

~Debbie Reynolds

Weight has never been a problem with me because when you dance, it just stays off.

~Debbie Reynolds

I tour all year, 42 weeks a year, so it's hard for me to remember every place I play.

~Debbie Reynolds

Donald O'Connor was in the film ['Singin' in the Rain'] as well, and he was only 27 years old. So we were closer in age, and had more fun together on the set. Gene was more my teacher and mentor.

~Debbie Reynolds

Every performer should learn a little bit of everything. Most performers

today only play the guitar.

~Debbie Reynolds

I'm very strict with myself. I'm an Aries and sort of a challenge to myself.

~Debbie Reynolds

I just keep traveling and doing live shows.

~Debbie Reynolds

We now have no record of these famous stage plays, so it turned out to be very narrow-minded thinking.

~Debbie Reynolds

I've always had life threats, and they've always been for real.

~Debbie Reynolds

It's sad when you see someone do really well and then you just don't hear about them anymore.

~Debbie Reynolds

Marilyn Monroe was taken advantage of by most of the men that knew her, including Frank Sinatra and Joe DiMaggio, whom I also knew very well.

~Debbie Reynolds

I never thought about doing men. Never.

~Debbie Reynolds

Do I read her books? Of course.

~Debbie Reynolds

I wanted to be as comfortable in that environment as she was. I moved around those areas in character.

~Debbie Reynolds

Never give power of attorney.

~Debbie Reynolds

I don't think anything I could ever do could make Gene Kelly look better than he was.

~Debbie Reynolds

I also have a pair of ruby red slippers from the 'Wizard of Oz' and Dorothy's gingham dress...and on and on. I saved as much as I could and still do, because people are still interested in it.

~Debbie Reynolds

I wasn't watching television when I was a youngster; there was the radio.

~Debbie Reynolds

Usually New York has lousy salads.

~Debbie Reynolds

I've always had my guard. I have my cook and my guard. I want to eat, and I want to live.

~Debbie Reynolds

Live is exciting, live is real, the people are there.

~Debbie Reynolds

I think that the working hours and star pressures pushed a lot of people into drugs in those days. And there seemed to have been a lot of alcoholism.

~Debbie Reynolds

Vegas will always be Vegas.

~Debbie Reynolds

You probably only know what you've read [about Marilyn Monroe]. You didn't know her. The people who talk about her didn't know her either.

~Debbie Reynolds

It's fun to get back to acting.

~Debbie Reynolds

Traveling is really exhausting. That will force me into retirement.

~Debbie Reynolds

Travel is hard, but entertaining is joy.

~Debbie Reynolds

I'm not a cook and I always stick everything in the freezer and then I leave things out, saying 'if it's good today it will be good tomorrow.'

~Debbie Reynolds

[Marilyn Monroe] was a bit temperamental, a little diva-like, but she didn't deserve what she got.

~Debbie Reynolds

Marilyn [Monroe] was really mistreated.

~Debbie Reynolds

My favorite [costume in collection] is the white dress Marilyn Monroe wore in the subway breeze scene in 'The Seven Year Itch.'

~Debbie Reynolds

For 'Singin' in the Rain,' I bought most of the costumes - the 'Fit as a Fiddle' costumes and the 'Make Them Laugh' Donald O'Connor outfits and the 'Good Morning, Good Morning' clothes we danced in.

~Debbie Reynolds

I always found that kind of hard, and even though Gene Kelly was also a taskmaster, Bobby [Fosse] was tougher.

~Debbie Reynolds

I did win [on a contest]. And that started me on a new path, and into show business.

~Debbie Reynolds

[Las Vegas in the early 1960] was thrilling, exciting... I would describe it as very Parisian.

~Debbie Reynolds

I have the largest private collection in the world [of Hollywood memorabilia].

~Debbie Reynolds

[Bob Fosse] was a temperamental fellow - it was his way or the highway.

~Debbie Reynolds

Near the end, she [Marilyn Monroe] was badly treated by Fox Studios, during the 'Let's Make Love' film shoot in 1960, they threw her off the set because she had a cold.

~Debbie Reynolds

Bobby [Fosse] was very difficult to work with, he wanted to be a big star at MGM, but it was the end of making musical movies at the time.

~Debbie Reynolds

I'm a big believer that Marilyn Monroe was killed.

~Debbie Reynolds

The heads of the studios, like Louis B. Mayer, didn't want to create any more musical stars. So Bobby [Fosse] left and went to New York City to

be a choreographer, and created brilliant work.

~Debbie Reynolds

Joe DiMaggio was quite mean to Marilyn Monroe when they were married. But after she died, he did tend to her grave, which made up for it.

~Debbie Reynolds

It is very rewarding to walk out on stage, feeling the love and reception.

~Debbie Reynolds

I loved Frank [O'Connor], he was wonderful...just don't get on his bad side. I don't think I would have wanted to marry him, but I probably should have since I married idiots anyway.

~Debbie Reynolds

I began as a true beginner, not knowing how to dance or perform. I just entered a local contest in town as a joke, because if you entered you got a free blouse and scarf.

~Debbie Reynolds

I think men like the boobie shows. Vegas will always be Vegas.

~Debbie Reynolds

I have over 5000 costumes, and the furniture and memorabilia that goes with them.

~Debbie Reynolds

No one has ever put anything into my suitcase.

~Debbie Reynolds

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