

Dylan McDermott

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Once you understand that someone has Tourette and that they can't help their tics, it takes away the distraction. And you can engage your compassion. You feel for them. You embrace them.

~Dylan McDermott

The Victorian era is the sexiest age for me, but I also like a woman in a pair of jeans.

~Dylan McDermott

Most actors are starving. Most of us are walking around with a flashlight and tweezers looking for evidence. When you have someone that actually writes an acting role, it's rare.

~Dylan McDermott

Sometimes you have to search for inspiration with characters, and other times, they just drop out of the sky and arrive.

~Dylan McDermott

My past is not pleasant; I grew up in a very tough town, Waterbury, Connecticut. I grew up in New York, too, but Waterbury was tougher.

~Dylan McDermott

Media runs the world, and it all changed, I think, when the debate between Kennedy and Nixon happened, and first of all we saw them on television, and that changed everything.

~Dylan McDermott

I guess my style is a cross between David Bowie and Clint Eastwood.

~Dylan McDermott

Dark Blue is ultimately a gritty crime drama, at its core. I don't think that is ever going to change.

~Dylan McDermott

I like the Polanski stuff more than anything else. Rosemary's Baby is still one of my favorite movies of all time. The idea of her being impregnated with the devil is just so frightening.

~Dylan McDermott

My theory about actors is we're all walking milk cartons. Expiration dates everywhere.

~Dylan McDermott

Style is innate to who I am. My father gave me a picture the other day. I must have been about seven, and I had on wing-tip shoes and some cool pants. I thought, 'Wow!'

~Dylan McDermott

Yeah, romantic comedies are the hardest movies to make. Maybe one works a year.

~Dylan McDermott

I did a movie with Clint Eastwood and I knew I wasn't going to be able to 'out-man' him.

~Dylan McDermott

I've always been fascinated by Baretta and Donny Brasco, and other undercover cops in movies.

~Dylan McDermott

Jerry Bruckheimer really is an executive producer, who obviously is the most successful producer in the history of film and television.

~Dylan McDermott

Much of the time, as an actor, you sit around waiting. Most of your life and career, you're waiting for your agent or your manager to call you.

~Dylan McDermott

People behave badly and people are in prison and people are on death row, and there are no excuses for everybody's behavior, but most people are coming from abuse.

~Dylan McDermott

To me Polanski is one of the greats in terms of psychological horror. It's just hard to top him because he's so damn good at it.

~Dylan McDermott

It's hard to find success and it's hard to find hit movies or hit TV shows and to stay relevant. I think it's a very difficult thing for actors, because a lot of us get lost, frankly.

~Dylan McDermott

L.A. is still such a fascinating place to me, so big and diverse. It's so spread out that you can go from Zuma to downtown and there's really like 10 different towns in between.

~Dylan McDermott

I think everything keeps changing. There was a time when television was a bad thing for actors and it meant that you could only do television, and now we see everyone does television.

~Dylan McDermott

Everything keeps changing. People want to label things all the time and once you label it, it changes again.

~Dylan McDermott

In the consciousness of the end is the limitation of the moment.

~Dylan McDermott

I think the most important thing for an actor is to stay current and stay relevant, and those are probably the hardest things to do.

~Dylan McDermott

As an actor, you always have to reinvent yourself or you end up in the gutter somewhere. It's my job to always change people's minds. I've known that for a long time and I've had to do it.

~Dylan McDermott

I mean, I always think when you're an actor you have to be the guy running into the burning building rather than running out of it, if you want to make some noise as an actor.

~Dylan McDermott

I really am a character actor, in my heart of hearts, because I really do like developing characters and painting a past for them.

~Dylan McDermott

I'm always trying to pop up in different genres, what interests me. Sometimes I just like to throw myself into new situations to see what it feel like.

~Dylan McDermott

Most of the time people are aiming so low on television. They're trying to reach that common denominator, especially on network television.

~Dylan McDermott

It's like, no matter what I do, I always feel like I'm five years old, and I end up in the back of my father's car looking out the window, and nothing has changed in 25 years.

~Dylan McDermott

I was terrified of the Vietnam War when I was 13. I thought I was going. The draft was such an ominous thing, I felt as if it was going to trickle down to me.

~Dylan McDermott

I don't like the slasher stuff, myself, but I do like the psychological

horror of Roman Polanski and that world. But, it's curious to me why people do like to be afraid.

~Dylan McDermott

It's the cable shows that are really the most interesting - 'Mad Men,' 'Breaking Bad,' those shows are really the premiere shows on television right now.

~Dylan McDermott

We shared the same vision.

~Dylan McDermott

I've tried like hell to make bad movies good, and I can't. Maybe Marlon Brando has been able to do that at times. But even he has a hard time making 'The Appaloosa' a good movie.

~Dylan McDermott

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