

# Ed Harris

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One of the first things I learned about acting was, the only person you compete against is yourself.

~Ed Harris

I made career decisions that came from the part of me who wanted to shun the limelight.

~Ed Harris

I think most people that are looked upon as doing something daring don't necessarily think of it that way-they do what they have to do.

~Ed Harris

You have to be willing to expose yourself, at least to yourself, to get to some kind of truth about a character.

~Ed Harris

We accept the reality of the world with which we are presented.

~Ed Harris

You look at a guy like Lance Armstrong, and you have to be inspired. I sat next to Kirk Douglas the other day, and he's inspiring for fighting through his stroke

~Ed Harris

When Bush first got elected, the very first time there was talk of going to war with Iraq, the mainstream media gave his position total credibility. I didn't get it then, and I don't get it now

~Ed Harris

You can't betray yourself too often, or you become somebody else.

~Ed Harris

Seeing what happens when you rip yourself open is what your job is all about

~Ed Harris

If I started worrying about how my constituents are going to react to every move I make, I wouldn't be able to do my job here. I'll do what I think is right and explain it later.

~Ed Harris

I was concerned about filling my life up with something important to me. To me, it was just necessary

~Ed Harris

You can mostly forget ethnic or religious differences. The competition for a bigger share of the oil proceeds is behind much of the fighting

~Ed Harris

I'm not an activist per se, but I have strong feelings about things. People can jump on celebrities for being ill-informed or naive, but I've got a right to say what I believe

~Ed Harris

I had some really dear friends who died from AIDS-one in particular. His family wasn't around and he didn't have many friends. I spent a lot of time with him in his later days.

~Ed Harris

I've always wanted to work with Paul Newman. I had a couple opportunities in the past, and I didn't take advantage of it, so it was really fun to be working with him

~Ed Harris

There's always a reaction based on fear. People assume if you're criticizing a decision to go to war, then you're saying something against the soldiers-which is not the case

~Ed Harris

Hippy, you think everything is a conspiracy. Everything is!

~Ed Harris

A lot of films come out before they're finished.

~Ed Harris

I chose films made by people I wanted to work with, about subject matter I thought was intriguing.

~Ed Harris

For The Truman Show, I worked for a few weeks, do my gig, then I was done.

~Ed Harris

I listen to National Public Radio, which, to me at least, presents the most rounded view of things.

~Ed Harris

It's hard to see a film that's been made from a book that you really loved because it's such a different experience

~Ed Harris

When I decided to direct, never having done that before, is something I'm very proud of

~Ed Harris

I like to act with people that know what they're doing.

~Ed Harris

I have a tight family group that's really important to me. I don't want to work all the time.

~Ed Harris

You get three hours' sleep and then you start all over again. Relentless.

Pre-production was almost harder than filming. I was all over the city every day. It was really exhausting.

~Ed Harris

I hope to direct a few more films before I leave the planet, so I hope I can find the material.

~Ed Harris

I am not one of these guys who works job after job after job.

~Ed Harris

I feel like my place in this industry is still progressing.

~Ed Harris

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