

Ed McBain

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The world is made of stairs, and there are those who go up and those who go down.

~Ed McBain

It seemed to me... that the only valid people to deal with crime were cops, and I would like to make the lead character, rather than a single person, a squad of cops.

~Ed McBain

A detective sees death in all the various forms at least five times a week.

~Ed McBain

Depending on what I'm working on, I come to the writing desk with entirely different mindsets. When I change from one to the other, it's as if another writer is on the scene.

~Ed McBain

I would certainly never suggest that any lesbian should be ashamed of her sexual preference.

~Ed McBain

I try to keep all my novels in print. Sometimes publishers don't agree with me as to their worth.

~Ed McBain

I've never been a cop nor hope to be a cop, thanks.

~Ed McBain

I wanted to be an artist. I was studying art. I wanted to be a great painter. When I went into the Navy, there wasn't much to draw at sea. So I began writing, and I began reading a lot.

~Ed McBain

Its a matter of style. The Evan Hunter style and the Ed McBain style are very, very different.

~Ed McBain

Changing writing styles is like an actor taking on a different part.

~Ed McBain

Readers are what it's all about, aren't they? If not, why am I writing?

~Ed McBain

I know that all cops are not sterling characters. But you have to have someone to root for. I balance it with rotten cops who will take a bribe, who will beat somebody up.

~Ed McBain

We need leaders who can reflect theologically and help develop more robust thinking that understands how context affects our understanding of God, humankind, the fall, and redemption.

~Ed McBain

McKinty is an exciting new talent.

~Ed McBain

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