

Eric Bana

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I race historic muscle cars back in Australia, and that's my hobby. And I try to race home as soon as I've finished a movie but don't tell anyone.

~Eric Bana

I look my best when I take my helmet off after a long motorcycle ride. I have a glow and a bit of helmet hair.

~Eric Bana

Over my lifetime, the car had actually transcended the fact that it is a car. It has become a venue.

~Eric Bana

I'm always one time zone behind myself.

~Eric Bana

You have to be proactive about your destiny and then realize that the other half of it is completely out of your control. I think it's fascinating.

~Eric Bana

I didn't study Greek mythology in school and I wish I had.

~Eric Bana

I would never say never to returning to comedy.

~Eric Bana

I'm spending all my time and energy on the project at hand.

~Eric Bana

I am attracted to characters who think they are in control, but their situation is uncontrollable.

~Eric Bana

It's always bitterly disappointing to people to see how normally one can live.

~Eric Bana

I've always been a bit of a car freak.

~Eric Bana

I get inhabited by a character and then you mourn it. There's a period of mourning for me, definitely.

~Eric Bana

My chosen exercise is cycling. I just love it.

~Eric Bana

Abs are for people with no friends.

~Eric Bana

I knew a bit but we don't study a lot of British history at school in Australia. We have our own 50-year period to concentrate on.

~Eric Bana

I love working with people who have had television experience because I think there's a real efficiency and methodology that comes from that background.

~Eric Bana

When you're shooting a film, you really don't get to be a dad, and you don't really get to be a husband. You don't really exist at all. But I do drag my family with me on location whenever I can.

~Eric Bana

The only thing that may make me different from other people is I have passionate interests outside of work.

~Eric Bana

The most serious film can be the most fun. The one that's supposed to

be fun can be the most serious.

~Eric Bana

Technically speaking, you can build anything out of sand; it doesn't mean you do it.

~Eric Bana

I'm a bit of a romantic.

~Eric Bana

The Israeli accent wasn't one that I was overly familiar with so had to learn from scratch but I was very fortunate I had the right amount of time.

~Eric Bana

I'm always reading and looking around for the next thing.

~Eric Bana

I've never been someone that's had a five-year plan, or a three-year plan. That just seems to lead to a lot of disappointment, and doesn't give you the chance to be flexible.

~Eric Bana

I'm not into bikinis or other revealing clothing.

~Eric Bana

If you can jump up onstage and make people laugh, shouldn't you also be able to inhabit a character?

~Eric Bana

It's always been my hope, as an actor, to reveal only what is relevant about myself to the work.

~Eric Bana

My wife and I really, really like each other as well as love each other.

~Eric Bana

I wasn't going to be a college kid. The only subject I was interested in was English. I think I had a subconscious interest in analyzing story.

~Eric Bana

I don't consciously seek out Australian projects. I put them on the same table as all the other scripts and I wouldn't ever do a film just because it's been shot at home.

~Eric Bana

I was a fan of the television show as a kid but I wouldn't say that I've followed all the movies or anything like that. But I was a television junkie as a kid.

~Eric Bana

I think there are times when you walk onto a set you can potentially be either intimidated or distracted by what's going on around you.

~Eric Bana

I think love can come fairly easily and grow - but really liking the core essence of someone is a much harder thing to bottle. If you have both, you're in pretty good shape.

~Eric Bana

I think luck gets you on to the stage. But it has nothing to do with keeping you there.

~Eric Bana

I've always described parts as tattoos. For actors our tattoos are in the form of films.

~Eric Bana

If I read something and I love it, I'll do it and I don't even ask what the budget is.

~Eric Bana

The darker the film, the more vital everyone's sense of humor is on set.

~Eric Bana

By the time I finished comedy, I was really burnt out of it. I had had enough. I don't really have a strong desire to prove myself in that area, or to go back to it in any great way.

~Eric Bana

I occasionally go to the gym and I lift free weights, I don't use machines.

~Eric Bana

I like the unknown. I like mystery.

~Eric Bana

I hate being clean-shaven. My daughter gets very upset if I shave and says, 'Bring back the spikes, Dad.'

~Eric Bana

I guess I'm a very keen observer, and I'd like to think I have a good imagination.

~Eric Bana

The movies people don't talk about or remember after six months' time don't really matter.

~Eric Bana

The reason my kids come to the set is so I can actually see them.

~Eric Bana

When I shoot I'll take my family with me - one movie a year and then the rest of the time at home.

~Eric Bana

I don't like to come at my character from some really technical place.

~Eric Bana

The more I love the character, the harder it is to get it wrong. I have to get to a point that I can speak for them.

~Eric Bana

I never look at the size of the film when I'm looking for a part.

~Eric Bana

I really enjoy working on small films.

~Eric Bana

I think I wasted a lot of my youth, falling for girls who were a couple of years older than me.

~Eric Bana

Each time you go to the same track you know whether you're improving or whether you're not... it's not open to interpretation. It's measurable - unlike acting.

~Eric Bana

My background was producing and writing and performing in television when I started out, and I really missed that, that whole creative process that comes from sort of 'me' storytelling.

~Eric Bana

I used to lift very heavy weights in my mid-twenties - I used to bench press over 300lb. The most I ever lifted was 330lb; I couldn't do that today, no way.

~Eric Bana

I guess subconsciously that all the great people you work with have an influence on you.

~Eric Bana

I think the beauty of working with young people is they remind you of the spirit of acting and it's just a big play.

~Eric Bana

A girl's got to be fun. It's the one bit of advice I always give to friends of mine who are thinking of getting married.

~Eric Bana

I deliberately fly in and out of LA for as small a time as humanly possible.

~Eric Bana

I always find that 90% of the performance, for me, is about what comes from inside.

~Eric Bana

As an actor I've been attracted to the sort of films that I want to go and see. That tends to usually be drama-related.

~Eric Bana

The thing I love about working with first-time directors is that it's always quite shocking how little difference there is between them and directors who've been directing all their lives.

~Eric Bana

The longer you have something, the stronger the bond. That's true with people as well as things.

~Eric Bana

I love being at home, being with friends and family. I'm of European stock, brought up in Australia. I'm a passionate guy. I just love life.

~Eric Bana

I have a theory that I really want my kids to know - the only coloration that they make between dad being in films and reality is just a lot of people doing a lot of hard work.

~Eric Bana

There wasn't a moment where I got into cars. It wasn't a conscience decision or something that came later, it was there since I was born. I just love it.

~Eric Bana

I fell in love with many women at school who had no idea I existed. I'm a bit of a romantic.

~Eric Bana

I've given no thought to moving to America at all.

~Eric Bana

But it's healthy - whatever you can do to keep you fresh and awake. Acting's such a ridiculous job and sometimes you need to look at it like that to get a sort of degree of freshness.

~Eric Bana

I'm very much a bit of a ghost presence.

~Eric Bana

If a great comedy landed on my doorstep, I would find it hard to say no.

~Eric Bana

Film sets are great fun. Film people are great people to hang around with. I don't want to run off and be distracted by other things.

~Eric Bana

I guess on a base level that's one of the first parental instincts that you have with children in Australia is learn to swim. Not only learn to swim but learn to swim strong.

~Eric Bana

I never really think much about the size of a production because I think as an actor, once you're in it, it's all the same. I never ever pick projects based on their size.

~Eric Bana

Without a doubt, rowing is the hardest thing you can attempt to learn in a short period of time.

~Eric Bana

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