

Eric McCormack Quotes

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Mental illness is the last frontier. The gay thing is part of everyday life now on a show like 'Modern Family,' but mental illness is still full of stigma. Maybe it is time for that to change.

~Eric McCormack

I'm doing a very funny show in which we talk about issues. I speak at Aids charities and things. It's great to do something fun with our days and yet we're told we're doing something important.

~Eric McCormack

I remember I had scenes with Melinda McGraw in "Ides Of March" that I didn't have in "Video Vigilante," but I can't quite picture that other character. But it was Vancouver, and that year was crazy

~Eric McCormack

As a television actor, there's a power you're given to use your image to do something valuable. As a parent, these messages are particularly important to me.

~Eric McCormack

The Andromeda strain is a killer disease that they've got to prevent from spreading to being 100 percent contagious. It's another one where we're racing to save humanity.

~Eric McCormack

When I read the script for Will & Grace in 1998, I knew I was the only guy for the part.

~Eric McCormack

The thing you realize pretty quickly, though, is that being in front of an audience whose job it is to laugh is a big pressure if the writing is not hilarious.

~Eric McCormack

I always get a little uppity when I hear the phrase 'TV actor.' It's like saying you're a magazine reporter. I was in the theater for ten years before I ever had a TV audition.

~Eric McCormack

We didn't, with 'Will & Grace,' set out to change the gay world. We just set out to be funny.

~Eric McCormack

Back when I was in theater school, trying to figure out what I was going to do with my life, 'Sweeney Todd' was a huge touchstone for me, my favorite musical for sure.

~Eric McCormack

As much as I loved [Al] Pacino and [Robert] De Niro and wanted to be a dramatic actor, I also grew up on sitcoms.

~Eric McCormack

There wasn't an episode of 'Will & Grace' that didn't begin with my voice saying, 'Will & Grace' is taped before a live studio audience.

~Eric McCormack

My wife is a real camper; it's a nice way to bond.

~Eric McCormack

My most romantic job: I was a manager at Baskin-Robbins.

~Eric McCormack

I got Michael Caine's book, Acting In Film, and I read it on the plane, desperately trying to glean information from him about how to adapt my craft, which was actually very helpful.

~Eric McCormack

I was raised on 'Get Smart' and 'All in the Family' and 'M.A.S.H.,' and

certainly when 'Cheers' came along, that was a big one.

~Eric McCormack

I had played many gay characters before, but they were finite - guest characters in TV shows or characters in plays.

~Eric McCormack

I never felt cool growing up. I was a bit of an outsider, but I discovered theatre very early on, which got me through.

~Eric McCormack

I'm never one to compare shows to shows.

~Eric McCormack

You make a lot of mistakes. I haven't seen that movie [The Lost World] in 20 years. But if I saw it, I'm sure I could pick out a whole lot of mistakes.

~Eric McCormack

I was going to be the hero of the movie [The Lost World]. I had to speak up and be like, "Shouldn't I be the one doing that?"

~Eric McCormack

I was working with David Warner and John Rhys-Davies, who is from the Indiana Jones movies. He's a very strong, strong presence, and so I had to assert myself.

~Eric McCormack

I'd never been to Africa. This really was my first film [The Lost World]. I'd done 10 years of stage. I'd done a little bit of television. But this was my first film.

~Eric McCormack

Andy Ackerman directed the episodes that I was doing, and he directed

a lot of Seinfeld [episodes]. And that was great.

~Eric McCormack

[Townies] was a huge cast. It was a bit ungainly, I think with 12 regular characters they had to keep writing for.

~Eric McCormack

I had a couple of decent laughs on Townies, but for the most part, delivering a joke that you just know is not funny is hard.

~Eric McCormack

They're such different things [Townies and Lonesome Dove]. I certainly love them both. Certainly Lonesome Dove would be way hard now, because, I mean, back then I wasn't married.

~Eric McCormack

I did five episodes of Townies as Jenna Elfman's boyfriend. I was a guest star, but it was the first time I really got to play laughs in front of a sitcom audience.

~Eric McCormack

I'd done a pilot [of Townies] with Caroline Rhea [Pride & Joy] that didn't go anywhere.

~Eric McCormack

I had run into Kari Lizer at an airport, I think, and she said, "Would you come on the show [The New Adventures Of Old Christine]?" And I said, "God. Absolutely."

~Eric McCormack

I think we all realize that anyone can - and has - gotten AIDS. So there's obviously still a lot to be done.

~Eric McCormack

In the '97 pilot season [of Will & Grace], I got the male lead on The Jenny McCarthy Show.

~Eric McCormack

I did The Commish and an episode of Neon Rider, and then I got the series called Street Justice, which I ended up doing about 18 episodes of.

~Eric McCormack

Whenever I see Tom [Cavanagh] - we're good friends - we just mourn that we didn't get a longer shot.

~Eric McCormack

Back then, all the networks were still making a movie a week, virtually. So I did five of them that year. So it was just a nonstop... '92 was a great, nonstop ride in Vancouver.

~Eric McCormack

The three main leads [in Townies] were Lauren [Graham] and Jenna [Elfman] and Molly [Ringwald], and then Ron Livingston was on it as well. There was a lot of people to write funny stuff for.

~Eric McCormack

[Townies] was a great springboard, obviously, because Jenna [Elfman] went from that to Dharma & Greg, and a few years later, Lauren [Graham] went to Gilmore Girls.

~Eric McCormack

I made Lost World in September of '91, and by the end of that year, I was living in Toronto.

~Eric McCormack

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