

Francesca Annis

Quotes

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Sometimes sushi is just superb, and other times there's nothing like a great big steak. It depends where your taste buds are at the time.

~Francesca Annis

I consulted a Chinese herbalist and spent two weeks on an island off the coast of Zanzibar. I was away from any kind of contemporary technology.

~Francesca Annis

When I was starting out, young actresses had the studio system to protect them. Now you have a host of sharks, from your agent to your publicist to your lawyer.

~Francesca Annis

I don't believe in expending energy on something you can't do anything about. If there was some easy way of fixing things, I'd probably do it.

~Francesca Annis

Roman's wife Sharon Tate had been murdered by Charles Manson the year before, but Roman had been through so much leaving the Warsaw ghetto that he was very strong and private.

~Francesca Annis

I think people have surgery for psychological reasons more than because of their looks.

~Francesca Annis

However successful you are, there is no substitute for a close relationship. We all need them.

~Francesca Annis

I go on giving interviews because I've been brought up to support the projects I'm involved in. When you've enjoyed working on a production, you want to do them a favour.

~Francesca Annis

My parents were hugely supportive like that. I was always the best - it's so embarrassing, isn't it? I was always the best at everything.

~Francesca Annis

The minute anyone's getting anxious I say, You must eat and you must sleep. They're the two vital elements for a healthy life.

~Francesca Annis

The first thing you have to do is accept that decay sets in and there's nothing you can do about it.

~Francesca Annis

Too often, older women are seen as victims, but I know lots of formidable women who have marvellous jobs as well as a full erotic life, and children and friends and family.

~Francesca Annis

You have to be careful not to let your fear stop you doing things. It's very exciting to test yourself.

~Francesca Annis

I've never been married and I've no more desire to be married now than I ever have. I hate bureaucracy and I am not religious.

~Francesca Annis

There is not enough celebration of companionship. Relationships aren't just about eroticism and sexuality.

~Francesca Annis

I don't need a piece of paper to suggest that I can commit myself.

~Francesca Annis

I do find acting cathartic.

~Francesca Annis

Some actors get fired up by the sound of the audience. I just want to retreat.

~Francesca Annis

I maintain the rather old-fashioned view that this is my work and it's in the public arena, but that doesn't entitle everyone to know what happened at home before coming here.

~Francesca Annis

I couldn't imagine playing someone young now; it would be so boring

~Francesca Annis

Everything has changed. An interview has become such a confrontational thing. It makes you very defensive.

~Francesca Annis

I'm one of the great unemployed looking for the next job. I'm waiting for the right offer. Like anyone, I want something that turns me on inside.

~Francesca Annis

Thank God we're not like America. Everyone wants to look like they're 20. In Europe we admire grown-up women; I think men revere older women.

~Francesca Annis

I used to suffer from excessive pride. Well, I got over that one.

~Francesca Annis

The thing about doing anything artificial to your hair is that you have to look after it. So you're always vulnerable to the weather and time

~Francesca Annis

Fame and stardom sat very easily on Elizabeth Taylor's shoulders.

~Francesca Annis

I have yet to see a drama that puts forward women who are successful and have a family. Women are nearly always seen as victims.

~Francesca Annis

I am pretty self-indulgent.

~Francesca Annis

Truly charismatic people, in my experience, don't come along very often.

~Francesca Annis

You can love more than one person in your life, but things will be different. There'll be a different dynamic. Needs and desires change.

~Francesca Annis

You can be revered for all sorts of qualities, but to be truly charismatic is rare. Elizabeth Taylor was, for me, one of those rarities.

~Francesca Annis

I do think it's important to live in the present because in that way you won't be living in a state of regret.

~Francesca Annis

The funny thing is I'm not bothered or sad about being on my own - after all I've never had a husband.

~Francesca Annis

We all know now that people can look good for their age. It isn't so extraordinary, I don't know why people go on about it so much.

~Francesca Annis

I was seen dancing at school by a director, who asked me to be in a TV play. And it had a huge impact. So I think that's what really started me off.

~Francesca Annis

I didn't choose to be an actress

~Francesca Annis

I was asked to be in Vogue but I said no. I didn't want to advertise make-up. I didn't want to be seen as a sex symbol.

~Francesca Annis

I was always going to be a dancer - I drifted into acting.

~Francesca Annis

After all my various relationships I find myself now home alone.

~Francesca Annis

If people think I look good, it's the make-up.

~Francesca Annis

I don't regret the passing of time. I try to live in the present, which should mean my life's full.

~Francesca Annis

I'm trying to learn to smoke, which is rather weird when everyone is trying to stop. I'm not a smoker. But my character only smokes as an affectation.

~Francesca Annis

I am not a fanatic about anything. I do what I can do when I've got the time.

~Francesca Annis

As you grow older, your whole life becomes very rich, multifaceted.

~Francesca Annis

Having children with someone is the real bond.

~Francesca Annis

Each decade, I've lived in that decade, so I could easily shed the '20s, the '30s, the '40s.

~Francesca Annis

Everything is about class in England, whether it's upper, lower or middle. Why should that be?

~Francesca Annis

The wonderful thing about acting is you move along with your decade. The older you get, the more interesting the parts you get to play and you bring more of your personal experience to the part

~Francesca Annis

Exposure makes you famous, not just good work. Famous is being plastered everywhere.

~Francesca Annis

From one till seven, when we moved to England, I spoke only Portuguese. But I can't speak a word of it now.

~Francesca Annis

I am not going to share my private life with millions of people. I don't find a need to do that and nobody else close to me does either.

~Francesca Annis

Everyone has class, one class or another.

~Francesca Annis

I don't think the media circus has ever been a shock to my life seeing as I was with Richard Burton and Elizabeth Taylor when I was 17.

~Francesca Annis

Judi Dench and Ian McKellen taught me how to work hard and respect the theatre.

~Francesca Annis

I'm the same weight now as I've always been-even before having children-but I have to say there's been a redistribution of the flesh!

~Francesca Annis

I'll dance to anything: Bob Marley or rap.

~Francesca Annis

I've always kept fit but I've been doing gym and yoga and will be throwing my stilettos away for a while!

~Francesca Annis

I never pursued being 'famous.'

~Francesca Annis

It's not so much the dressing up, but I love the idea of moving and existing in a different time.

~Francesca Annis

I don't want three million people digesting my private life over their cornflakes.

~Francesca Annis

So many stars lose their way, and with success become more neurotic, not less so.

~Francesca Annis

I've never been too afraid of what other people have said, especially when I was younger, but I suppose that was the arrogance of youth.

~Francesca Annis

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