

Fred Armisen

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Avoid people who tell you that something you want to do is not possible.

~Fred Armisen

I'm so glad cities have personalities, just like people have personalities. That's something that makes me smile.

~Fred Armisen

Remember that there's no one way of doing things. ... If you just get a hammer and hit it really hard, whatever it is, I guarantee you it'll open.

~Fred Armisen

If someone can write great music... Paul McCartney is a genius. He's so prolific. All we should do is bow down to Paul McCartney.

~Fred Armisen

Portland is where young people go to retire.

~Fred Armisen

I can't relax. I'm not happy unless I'm working on stuff. 'SNL' is always a huge workload, as enjoyable as it is.

~Fred Armisen

There are so many disagreements in the world, but I like the idea of people agreeing on something like art.

~Fred Armisen

The day of parts of the country hating each other, or rivalries like that... I feel like that's dead.

~Fred Armisen

Everyone goes through all kinds of relationship situations. I'm lucky that I get to be on two comedy shows [during divorce].

~Fred Armisen

Every music journalist I've ever met has been stunningly beautiful.

~Fred Armisen

"Macarena" is a great song. If music is something you can remember - the worst crime music can do is to be forgettable.

~Fred Armisen

Sometimes I think I'm a really interesting guy.

~Fred Armisen

I loooved Sleater-Kinney like a crazy person.

~Fred Armisen

I have an inability to relax. I try to make every day a work day. I get pleasure from work... I try to think of sketch ideas, stand-up pieces. I am incapable of leisure and leisure time.

~Fred Armisen

My father came from Germany. My mom came from Venezuela. My father's culturally German, but his father was Japanese.

~Fred Armisen

There's no judgment on bands that continue on who aren't popular; some people get enjoyment out of it. I'm just not one of those people. I wanted attention.

~Fred Armisen

I try to maintain a high level of coolness. Which means I've gotta look at lot of magazines. I've gotta look at a lot of ads to see what people want to wear.

~Fred Armisen

I tend to think that there is a sophistication to everything at 'Saturday Night Live,' including the sketches.

~Fred Armisen

I think I was a terrible husband, I think I'm a terrible boyfriend.

~Fred Armisen

I'm obsessed with my 20s. I buy things that I wanted in my 20s. It's weird; it's a weird thing that I didn't grow out of.

~Fred Armisen

Steve Jobs was a real rock star to me. I looked forward to his products like people look forward to albums.

~Fred Armisen

I love 'Saturday Night Live,' and I really feel like people who have left before me have always stayed with the show. They never really quite left, which is nice. Everyone kind of stays close.

~Fred Armisen

Just a lot of those bands [like The Blue Jean Committee] started off in blues, and then they all transformed into other kinds.

~Fred Armisen

I'm a fan of Talking Heads going way back.

~Fred Armisen

I love painters because I don't paint, so I get to enjoy art; I like collecting paintings.

~Fred Armisen

I met Steve Jobs once. In '06? He had a sense of humor.

~Fred Armisen

As far as paintings go, I always think about what it's like to move them and hang them up and hope they don't drop. To me, that seems like a

big gamble, but that comes from me not being a painter.

~Fred Armisen

I spent a lot of time lifting my drums into a van, playing to ten people night after night. I can't complain about anything now.

~Fred Armisen

People are always nice, so I can't complain. My name used to be SNL! More and more, people call me by my name.

~Fred Armisen

I wish I was one of those people who could write script after script and pages and pages. I can only aspire to do that.

~Fred Armisen

In my opinion, there's this new phenomenon where guys used to talk about cars a lot in the past. But, more and more it's becoming them talking about recording studios.

~Fred Armisen

I thrive most when I have to juggle things.

~Fred Armisen

The more I keep myself occupied and jump from thing to thing, the more I think it enriches both.

~Fred Armisen

I started comedy in like 1998.

~Fred Armisen

We lived in Chicago, but the music we were inspired by was from D. C.

~Fred Armisen

Someday maybe I'll go back and see what the Deep South is like.

~Fred Armisen

Rules are really weird things, aren't they? I feel like the more I do something, the more I see through rules. I see the reason to ignore it, but at the same time, "That's why they made that rule!"

~Fred Armisen

I like it when people are driven. I love that in any field of work, in architecture or whatever. Like Lorne Michaels - he pays attention to every detail.

~Fred Armisen

That smile on Stive Jobs face... My impersonation came from being a fan.

~Fred Armisen

I enjoy getting to work on 'Saturday Night Live', where I get to do people like David Paterson. And then, its like a different muscle to do someone like a bicycle guy on 'Portlandia'.

~Fred Armisen

I came away from 'Saturday Night Live' feeling very well represented. I felt, and I still feel like, they let me do so much stuff that I wanted to do. Stuff that I almost didn't even know what it was.

~Fred Armisen

Chalkboards being used inside the restaurant seem to be a good sign that the proprietors are proud of their food, and that's kind of nice, actually - it's a nice personal touch.

~Fred Armisen

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