

# Hiroyuki Sanada

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None of us knows how long he shall live or when his time will come. But soon, all that will be left of our brief lives is the pride our children feel when they speak our names.

~Hiroyuki Sanada

I've been wearing kimono for several years, and armor.

~Hiroyuki Sanada

It's a Samurai story [47 ronin], so if we change too much Japanese audiences will have strong against feelings to the film. It's not good.

~Hiroyuki Sanada

A lot of country making films in English, but in Japan we are very shy to speak English.

~Hiroyuki Sanada

It's very difficult to introduce the world to our culture.

~Hiroyuki Sanada

I believe, the Japanese film industry must be open.

~Hiroyuki Sanada

I saw a lot of 47 Ronin on the TV, in the films, and I've done Chushingura Gaiden Yotsuya Kaidan [Crest of Betrayal, 1994] directed by Kinji Fukasaku.

~Hiroyuki Sanada

I was a child actor, so when I started filming when I was five years old, it was a long time ago.

~Hiroyuki Sanada

This is almost the most famous story The last samurai - Samurai story - in Japan.

~Hiroyuki Sanada

I've done Last Samurai in Japan, in LA, in New Zealand. Even in Japan it is very hard to shoot, because there's been so many changes. Only around a temple can we shoot.

~Hiroyuki Sanada

This is a good thing, mixing culture to make something new, something no one has ever seen. This is kind of a new history.

~Hiroyuki Sanada

I've done a lot of Samurai film in Japan, and sometimes done the choreography by myself.

~Hiroyuki Sanada

I was very comfortable on the set of Lost. I was so nervous when I went on to the set because I had just watched all the Lost episodes. I was, like, a fan. A big fan.

~Hiroyuki Sanada

Especially for this film [ 47 ronin] there's a nice mixture between western and eastern. So Ronin wearing the boots, like Western style. It's a nice mixture.

~Hiroyuki Sanada

Action is just one of my skills.

~Hiroyuki Sanada

I am glad to be here to create a new history in our industry. I'm very proud of this.

~Hiroyuki Sanada

I think it's very hard to direct foreign language actors, but Carl Rinsch found a great way. A special super visual way.

~Hiroyuki Sanada

Carl Rinsch has a good balance between the visual and the drama and action, so I thought if he's going to direct, we can make a new, epic film. My fear was gone when I met him.

~Hiroyuki Sanada

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