

Hugh Laurie Quotes

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It's a basic truth of the human condition that everybody lies. The only variable is about what.

~Hugh Laurie

I am a coffee fanatic. Once you go to proper coffee, you can't go back. You cannot go back.

~Hugh Laurie

Screenwriting is the most prized of all the cinematic arts. Actually, it isn't, but it should be.

~Hugh Laurie

I run six-to-eight miles a day, plus weights and aerobics in the lunch hour. I also lie a lot, which keeps me thin.

~Hugh Laurie

To be able to pretend to be something that I'm frankly not is very liberating and exciting.

~Hugh Laurie

I think that's the lesson you learn in life. As you get older you realize you're never going to grow up and you're never going to be ready. And you may, as well, do things now, don't wait

~Hugh Laurie

Love is a word. A sound. Its association with a particular feeling is arbitrary, unmeasurable, and ultimately meaningless

~Hugh Laurie

There is almost no such thing as ready. There is only now.

~Hugh Laurie

Every day is the opportunity for a better tomorrow.

~Hugh Laurie

Girls are complicated. The instruction manual that comes with girls is 800 pages, with chapters 14, 19, 26 and 32 missing, and it's badly translated, hard to figure out.

~Hugh Laurie

Winning a rowing race is not like winning anything else. Here's my theory: you're facing backwards, so you're looking at the people you're beating--and there's something exquisite about that.

~Hugh Laurie

People will survive, and they will find happiness. Happiness only comes when you're not looking for it.

~Hugh Laurie

Russian vodka is OK if you need to clean the oven. For drinking, it must henceforth be Polish.

~Hugh Laurie

I think classical music tuition is, well, was when I was a child, was an abomination. I think in some ways it is one of life's great tragedies for everybody who gives up an instrument.

~Hugh Laurie

It's a holy city for music.

~Hugh Laurie

Happiness is the twinkle in your grandmother's eye as you reverse the tractor off her legs.

~Hugh Laurie

Pain is an event. It happens to you, and you deal with it in whatever way you can.

~Hugh Laurie

I admit I can't shake the idea that there is virtue in suffering, that there is a sort of psychic economy, whereby if you embrace success, happiness and comfort, these things have to be paid for.

~Hugh Laurie

I would just hear piano players and I would hear music, and just think - I don't just want to sit here and passively listen; I want to get inside it.

~Hugh Laurie

Now, my mom always said two wrongs don't make a right. But she never said anything about four wrongs, and that always left me confused.

~Hugh Laurie

I don't believe in God, but I have this idea that if there were a God, or destiny of some kind looking down on us, that if he saw you taking anything for granted he'd take it away.

~Hugh Laurie

Keep on being yourself.

~Hugh Laurie

I have my moments. Ever since I was a boy, I never was someone who was at ease with happiness. Too often I embrace introspection and self-doubt. I wish I could embrace the good things.

~Hugh Laurie

Acting is largely about putting on masks, and music is about removing them.

~Hugh Laurie

This was the tricky bit. The really tricky bit, trickiness cubed.

~Hugh Laurie

I never was someone who was at ease with happiness.

~Hugh Laurie

Just because it's a bad job doesn't mean I need to do it badly.

~Hugh Laurie

You hope that your teenage self would like and forgive your 50-year-old self.

~Hugh Laurie

I have been instrumental in banning bottled water on the set. It hasn't gone that well with the crew... so I replaced it with tequila.

~Hugh Laurie

I wouldn't be able to act like Al Pacino or play the piano like Dr. John, But I could probably act better than Dr. John and play the piano better than Al Pacino.

~Hugh Laurie

It gets on top of me and I get frustrated.

~Hugh Laurie

The only good thing I've ever noticed about money, the only positive aspect of an otherwise pretty vulgar commodity, is that you can use it to buy things.

~Hugh Laurie

They, all of them, work incredibly hard to make me seem clever and heroic, neither of which I am.

~Hugh Laurie

My dad gave me my first bike at 16. I soon fell off and was in a wheelchair for weeks. I haven't fallen since.

~Hugh Laurie

I didn't realize House would be the central character, more the bitter comic relief appearing occasionally. I relish his wounded nature - the lameness, the scarred Byronic hero.

~Hugh Laurie

It is the middle of December now, and we are about to travel to Switzerland - where we plan to ski a little, relax a little, and shoot a Dutch politician a little.

~Hugh Laurie

I couldn't imagine what Fox thought they were doing, contemplating such a jagged protagonist for a prime-time drama. I only knew that I wanted the role very much.

~Hugh Laurie

Perseverance does not equal worthiness. Next time you want to get my attention, wear something fun. Low-riding jeans are hot.

~Hugh Laurie

I just read an 800-page history of the Scottish Enlightenment and, honestly, I may as well just start it again now, because I cannot remember a single thing. I can barely remember where Scotland is.

~Hugh Laurie

When school friends would think about appearing on stage as the most frightening, the most awful, intimidating experience ever, I knew that it was something I could do.

~Hugh Laurie

I suppose actors crave attention of some kind or they have suffered some form of arrested development and are still living in a sort of child's fantasy existence at some level in their psyche.

~Hugh Laurie

Having a vote once every four years is not the same thing as democracy.

~Hugh Laurie

Driving a motorcycle is like flying. All your senses are alive.

~Hugh Laurie

We put this 15-year old girl on the cover of a fashion magazine, and tell everyone she is the epitome of sexual perfection, but we jail anyone who touches her for another three years.

~Hugh Laurie

She turned towards me and narrowed her eyes...narrowed them horizontally, not vertically.

~Hugh Laurie

There's an undeniable pleasure in stepping into an open-top sports car driven by a beautiful woman. It feels like you're climbing into a metaphor.

~Hugh Laurie

I hate menus, I hate choosing food. I just want to be brought. Bring me dinner!

~Hugh Laurie

One thing House needs Wilson for is vanity. He needs someone to laugh at his jokes.

~Hugh Laurie

Believe it or not, perhaps I don't show it much, or well, but I think I like people.

~Hugh Laurie

I feel like I'm working on an oil rig right now. I'm away from home a lot.

~Hugh Laurie

I do actually like Los Angeles. Partly because I was told I wouldn't.

~Hugh Laurie

I don't like the act of talking; it makes me slightly light-headed.

~Hugh Laurie

Piano was - well, all musical instruments were taught in this very rigid, formal, classical method when I was young.

~Hugh Laurie

I have resolved to pick one novel and just read it over and over again for the rest of my life, because I cannot remember anything anymore.

~Hugh Laurie

Driving a motorcycle is like flying. All your senses are alive. Being House is like flying, too. He's free of the gravity of what people think.

~Hugh Laurie

I don't talk like House, or walk like him. I certainly don't think like him. I don't like to think for more than 15 minutes at a stretch actually; I am a fragile flower.

~Hugh Laurie

To be a head boy, you have to be very clever, you have to be a scholar, and I was never a scholar in any shape or form.

~Hugh Laurie

I rowed for Cambridge. I was pretty good at that.

~Hugh Laurie

Humility was a cult in my family. I only got it out of my father by accident when he was very old that he had won an Olympic gold medal.

~Hugh Laurie

LA runs on optimism, enthusiasm and flattery. I think you can go a little bit crazy... It's just too damn sunny in every dimension - weatherwise, socially and professionally.

~Hugh Laurie

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