

# Jeffrey Tambor Quotes

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When I got this role, my daughter Molly said, 'Dad, you've come full circle.'

~Jeffrey Tambor

The Emmy should be an ensemble award, too. I kept howling at everyone else's performances.

~Jeffrey Tambor

This whole thing about winning and losing is muddy waters. But I can remember, as a young actor, just walking around this city and not being able to get arrested.

~Jeffrey Tambor

I loved the gentlemanly way they treated each other. It was unlike anything I was used to. I started helping them strike the set and, at 11, began taking acting classes privately.

~Jeffrey Tambor

Joe Mantello is the uber director. I wrote him a card tonight saying basically, 'Will you adopt me?'

~Jeffrey Tambor

Carlos Castaneda always said, "If you're going to do something, do it impeccably."

~Jeffrey Tambor

I'd always had a crush on Teri Garr - and still do. I've always adored her. I mean, who doesn't think about Teri in *Young Frankenstein*? I mean, come on! It makes you talk in that accent for weeks.

~Jeffrey Tambor

In my life, I find that in sobriety, I feel much more. And I have much more depth.

~Jeffrey Tambor

Am I a star? That's a different thing. I mean no, I'm not in People magazine. But I must be doing something right, because I've done it for 50 years! And I like doing what I do.

~Jeffrey Tambor

I think your resources are feeling. Your resources are depth. Your resources are learning. Your resources are touching and feeling. And for me, sobriety helps and aids all of that.

~Jeffrey Tambor

I really loved my dad. I was very, very close to my dad. He - you know, he was very, very nervous about my being an actor.

~Jeffrey Tambor

I don't like show business. I don't like the business. I love acting. I love this. I love talking to people.

~Jeffrey Tambor

And I'd watch George C. Scott from backstage. He was one of my mentors.

~Jeffrey Tambor

I came to New York late; I was already past 30

~Jeffrey Tambor

I never want to have that on my shoulders - I never want to be number one on the call sheet. That's a life that I don't want. I mean, I'm not ducking the responsibility.

~Jeffrey Tambor

Certainly the principal has to be bald. Certainly the school counselor has to be bald. And the driver's ed teacher. And maybe the wood-shop teacher. Mine was.

~Jeffrey Tambor

Probably because I'm bald. Don't the bald people always play doctors and principals? Yeah, isn't that funny? And lawyers. A lot of lawyers and judges.

~Jeffrey Tambor

Guillermo del Toro. He's in his pure artist's stroke. He's just hitting it out of the park. I would go anywhere to work with him. He's a real artist.

~Jeffrey Tambor

Mel Brooks and David Zucker - there are very few people who know silly, and they're usually hugely intelligent, because you have to be intelligent to get it. Like the Marx brothers. I love it.

~Jeffrey Tambor

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