

Jessica Chastain

Quotes

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I can't even open my eyes underwater.

~Jessica Chastain

I always say I am a realist, and my mom says, "No, you just have anxiety."

~Jessica Chastain

If you don't fully take every moment and love every moment and every person that you're with, your life will be over before you realise.

~Jessica Chastain

I feel like the bigger risks that I take, the more I learn. I know that I learn more from my failures than successes.

~Jessica Chastain

You know, it's recently come into focus for me why I want to be an actor: It's because of the connection I feel to people.

~Jessica Chastain

I think that with any emotion - fear, love, nervousness - if the actor's feeling it, then the audience feels it.

~Jessica Chastain

We need more points of view from women and we need more support for female directors and writers in the industry.

~Jessica Chastain

I think both nature and grace live within everyone, and I always strive to be in a world of grace and compassion.

~Jessica Chastain

If someone does something bad to you, you do something worse to them so they never mess with you again.

~Jessica Chastain

Look, if anyone is scared, I got your back.

~Jessica Chastain

Put others before yourself, unselfish love, do unto others as you would have done to you.

~Jessica Chastain

I'm the unknown everyone's already sick of.

~Jessica Chastain

I've spent my life being embarrassed.

~Jessica Chastain

Women perform great in the box office. Audiences want to see lead female characters.

~Jessica Chastain

No matter what, I'm going to ask for more.

~Jessica Chastain

I've actually been given a great gift. When I walk into an audition with a director, I'm carrying no baggage. They haven't seen me in anything, even though I've done nine films.

~Jessica Chastain

I don't like the idea that fame could mean that people can no longer relate to me.

~Jessica Chastain

I'm very much a hippie from Northern California.

~Jessica Chastain

Broadway has always been a dream of mine.

~Jessica Chastain

I find that the monsters are usually the people that I have the most empathy for because they're the ones that are hurt the most. There's a reason why they're the monsters.

~Jessica Chastain

I love fall because I love the whole cuddling aspect of it, and a sweater dress has that vibe of I'm going to hunker down and be warm, but it's also very feminine.

~Jessica Chastain

I don't really drink, and I've never been to a rave. I used to cut school to read Shakespeare, not to make out in the park.

~Jessica Chastain

Before, it was just about making the films - and now it's releasing them. Which is a steep learning curve.

~Jessica Chastain

I like things where I can do a physical transformation, and I love accents and voices, and I'm never going to play the same character twice.

~Jessica Chastain

Robin Williams was the kind of generous person who would do things but not want to receive public credit for it.

~Jessica Chastain

I love talking about acting. I'm just such a fan of actors and filmmakers, and I try to choose roles where I get to talk to great actors about acting and learn.

~Jessica Chastain

I have problems because I'm very expressive, and usually red lipstick gets on my teeth and face.

~Jessica Chastain

There is this immediate connection, this intimacy when you're acting because there's no room to be polite or shy. Also, as an actor I get to connect with women I've never met before.

~Jessica Chastain

I think you have to take the whole idea of wage equality out of the film industry.

~Jessica Chastain

Every time you fail, you learn more.

~Jessica Chastain

I try not to fake anything.

~Jessica Chastain

I absolutely made the decision that that cannot be the reason why I'm doing a film or a job. For me, it's always about the script and whether I'm doing something that I've never done before.

~Jessica Chastain

When you're on a Terrence Malick film, it's like you're part of a family.

~Jessica Chastain

Whatever anyone says, I think the opposite will happen.

~Jessica Chastain

I love being around great actors and film-makers, and I try to hide the fact that I'm in awe of them.

~Jessica Chastain

I'm used to working really hard to get a role. I was always auditioning and talking my way into roles.

~Jessica Chastain

People were confused by me, and at first I was auditioning a lot for the crazy characters or the victim, someone who'd been attacked. Which is great, because usually those are the best acting roles.

~Jessica Chastain

Any man that dates me, the thing they're gonna have to live up is my dad - he's a real hero.

~Jessica Chastain

Look at Hispanic women - they are being paid 42 cents on the dollar - or African-American women. I think it's an issue we have to look at across the board.

~Jessica Chastain

I'm really lucky because my goal, as an actor, is to disappear into the characters that I'm playing.

~Jessica Chastain

It's okay to be ambitious, it's okay to be over-prepared.

~Jessica Chastain

My grandmother used to say, "Sometimes the loudest person in the room doesn't know what they're talking about." Or isn't secure enough in his or her own views to be able to listen to others.

~Jessica Chastain

I am the worst at keeping secrets. I am the kind of person that the second I buy someone a Christmas present, I tell them what I bought them. I don't wait until Christmas. I'm not good at it.

~Jessica Chastain

I've never been in New York for the whole time of Fashion Week.

~Jessica Chastain

It's easier to do an action scene than a love scene. I love fighting. When the camera's not rolling, I'll usually punch some of the actors, just for fun.

~Jessica Chastain

No one ever recognizes me.

~Jessica Chastain

I'm the kind of person [who] when I'm doing a play, and even when I'm working, I don't do anything else. When I'm working, I just work.

~Jessica Chastain

It takes me a long time to make a big purchase...

~Jessica Chastain

I don't want people to look at me.

~Jessica Chastain

I no longer think in terms of, Ooh, this is a great role and what is it going to do for - actually, I've never really thought about what something is going to do for my career.

~Jessica Chastain

No matter what the characters you play, you have to find the differences in them, especially when you are doing a political movie.

~Jessica Chastain

Everything that we criticize young actresses for, they're supposed to do because that's when we're supposed to make mistakes. And find out who we are.

~Jessica Chastain

I spent a lot of the last five years on a set, and every once in a while you take stock of your life and look at what you're doing.

~Jessica Chastain

Maybe that's because there are so few women lobbyists; if they're there, it's for something they strongly believe in, not just for financial gain.

~Jessica Chastain

Most of the women I spoke to were pushing agendas that they felt connected to - more so than with the male lobbyists I met with.

~Jessica Chastain

We need to reevaluate that women who ask for a pay raise or ask for a promotion - it's actually an okay thing.

~Jessica Chastain

I'm going to ask what is correct, what I deserve, especially in relation to male actors.

~Jessica Chastain

I take great responsibility in any character that I play.

~Jessica Chastain

When I first moved to Los Angeles, I don't think anyone knew what to do with me.

~Jessica Chastain

I have a feeling that very soon I'm going to fail very, very big. I'm going to try something and everybody's going to be like, 'What was she thinking?'

~Jessica Chastain

I was excited that my films would finally see the light of day and people

would see them. But I never imagined that such nice things would be said about a lot of my films.

~Jessica Chastain

Someone doesn't think immediately, "I want to be a lobbyist."

~Jessica Chastain

I'm inspired by people who are so sensitive and vulnerable that they try to cover it up.

~Jessica Chastain

I've had to learn how to say 'no' to offers.

~Jessica Chastain

I just want to do what I feel is right in my heart.

~Jessica Chastain

I want to be involved in a story that makes a difference.

~Jessica Chastain

I'm very shy, I feel very awkward.

~Jessica Chastain

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