

Judd Nelson

Quotes

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I like being a villain. Villains are more exciting.

~Judd Nelson

Screws fall out all the time, the world is an imperfect place.

~Judd Nelson

It's very easy to confuse Sean Connery with James Bond. Sometimes in the entertainment industry, people believe the cake is more real than the baker.

~Judd Nelson

Remember to be as smart as you are.

~Judd Nelson

My Brat Pack buddies and I didn't exactly handle celebrity very well. Success at an early age is far more difficult to handle than failure.

~Judd Nelson

Almost anything makes me laugh, especially jokes at my own expense. And I will never, ever admit to being ticklish anywhere.

~Judd Nelson

Catcher in the Rye had a profound impact on me-the idea that we all have lots of dreams that are slowly being chipped away as we grow up.

~Judd Nelson

I'm involved with Recording Artists and Actors Against Drunk Driving. I'm also involved with most children's causes, because children can't help the environment they're in.

~Judd Nelson

All of the directors I've worked with I have loved and would work with again. I have no favorites.

~Judd Nelson

I find it very difficult to relax. I find it increasingly difficult to find outlets for my frustration.

~Judd Nelson

Sweets, you couldn't ignore me if you tried.

~Judd Nelson

I don't know if it matters what country you're from, size of the city you're from, urban or rural, there are people that are hurting each other everywhere.

~Judd Nelson

The movie that's had the most effect on me is Jaws. To this day when I'm in the ocean, I'm hearing that music.

~Judd Nelson

Heroes always make the right decision; I find that seldom happens in my life.

~Judd Nelson

I put less stock in others' opinions than my own. No one else's opinions could derail me.

~Judd Nelson

I love the rehearsal process in the theatre, and the visceral sense of contact and communication with a live audience.

~Judd Nelson

Young alienation, disappointment and heartache is all a part of the first real growing up that we do.

~Judd Nelson

With failure, you just try again.

~Judd Nelson

It's great to work with people that you like, any job, no matter what you do.

~Judd Nelson

I don't have any blindness when it comes to my money. As an actor, you can get distracted by your work. I do keep an eye on my nest egg, if you will.

~Judd Nelson

As a kid, I had a crush on Sophia Loren and Raquel Welch.

~Judd Nelson

A fancy watch, it's completely unnecessary. I just need a watch to tell the right time.

~Judd Nelson

Alien's a great one. That's a scary movie.

~Judd Nelson

Ice-T was just a pleasure to work with. He was a smart gentleman.

~Judd Nelson

I went to acting school in New York City for two years. I studied with Stella Adler

~Judd Nelson

I always thought that the badge a cop has was more like the shield that Captain America has. It's an obvious sign of good and something you'll protect other people with, but it will also protect you.

~Judd Nelson

When I was in college, all the pretty women were in the theatre, so I auditioned for a play.

~Judd Nelson

While they would have provided financial support if I had needed it, the greatest support my parents gave was emotional, psychological.

~Judd Nelson

My first love is acting on stage. A sitcom is a hybrid of stage and film.

~Judd Nelson

[St. Elmo's Fire] it was pretty soon after that. I know we didn't do Breakfast Club knowing we were going to do that.

~Judd Nelson

My first paid acting job was a movie called Fandango. It also starred Kevin Costner.

~Judd Nelson

I am very grateful to make my living doing what I would do for free.

~Judd Nelson

It is a career of make-believe, of masks. We all have masks in life.

~Judd Nelson

[John Hurt] just really gifted, and I had a great time working with him and [am] very lucky to have worked with him.

~Judd Nelson

I went and saw him [John Hurt] here in L.A.He did a one-man Beckett show of Krapp's Last Tape. I went back and saw him afterwards, and what an actor he is. He is so gifted.

~Judd Nelson

I just couldn't go back to Suddenly Susan after David Strickland's suicide. I didn't see how we could make the show light and funny any more.

~Judd Nelson

You have to be so confident and so gifted to fill five minutes of nothing at the very beginning of a play before even a word is uttered.

~Judd Nelson

I have adopted clothes from all the projects I'm in. It's really been a while since I've bought anything myself.

~Judd Nelson

Adam Sandler is a really funny guy in real life. Separate from all of the movies, that is a funny man.

~Judd Nelson

There was no one really like John Bender at my high school.

~Judd Nelson

[Kevin] Costner said, "You don't have to do that... this is a wide shot, so you can calm down."

~Judd Nelson

Stagecoach is really my first Western, actually.

~Judd Nelson

I like Chicago. It's a great city. It's always fun to revisit it.

~Judd Nelson

The first animation thing I did was the first Transformers, the one that was animated many years ago. And I had heard that Orson Welles was doing a voice on it.

~Judd Nelson

I was trained by Stella Adler for theater so you kind of give it all on every take.

~Judd Nelson

Phil Hicks was the guy that was in the ROTC, that was going to go into the Vietnam War and thought that was the responsibility of the citizen.

~Judd Nelson

Trace Adkins is such a great guy. Really is. And he's got that incredible voice - low, deep. He throws words around like "my dental coverage."

~Judd Nelson

[John] Hughes is a great loss, I think. He was the first filmmaker that could look at someone who was young without seeing them as being less.

~Judd Nelson

Trace Adkins doesn't talk too much, but when he does he's got great stories. He's lived a great life.

~Judd Nelson

The Dark Backward. Bill Paxton is in it with me. Wayne Newton. James Caan. Adam Rifkin wrote and directed it. It was made a number of years ago and very odd. Not for the squeamish.

~Judd Nelson

[In The Dark Backward] someone who has writer's block and kills people in A Cabin By The Lake. I guess he's a type of serial killer, but I don't know.

~Judd Nelson

Breakfast Club was great because we had a real rehearsal, and we shot primarily in sequence.

~Judd Nelson

I got to play Santa, too. It's really important to play Santa, you know.

~Judd Nelson

I wasn't Santa in Santa Jr., but I was Santa in Cancel Christmas.

~Judd Nelson

You just have to learn certain technical things, like where the camera is, not to block people's light in your own, to hit your marks, and that you do it kind of piecemeal.

~Judd Nelson

It's a profession where merit is not necessarily rewarded.

~Judd Nelson

[John] Hughes really wanted it to sound authentic. He was a real collaborator. He encouraged us to bring to the material things we thought were maybe more truthful.

~Judd Nelson

You can do crap work in a big movie, and it does good things. You can do great work in a movie no one sees, it does nothing. That's the way it goes.

~Judd Nelson

You have to kind of roll with the punches. That's why I think work begets work to a certain degree. I just try and keep busy.

~Judd Nelson

Kim Coates is really funny. He's a blast. If you have to get beaten up and tortured, he's a good guy to get tortured by.

~Judd Nelson

[John] Hughes was open to that [rehearsal]. This can only happen if the director and/or the writer are open to that.

~Judd Nelson

If you read a script enough, especially a good script - I try to read it 40 to 50 times before you begin so you get a sense of the arc: what happens before, what happens after, what happens during.

~Judd Nelson

You know who was wonderful to work with? Was Paul Gleason, may he rest in peace.

~Judd Nelson

Paul Gleason played the teacher. I just tortured him as best I could. 'Cause he wasn't one of the kids, you know, so it was okay. He was great.

~Judd Nelson

Paul Gleason he was a great guy. I loved working with him.

~Judd Nelson

John Hurt was incredible to work with.

~Judd Nelson

In a good script, it's really like a treasure map. You just focus on that, all the answers are pretty much in it.

~Judd Nelson

I took all the philosophy courses I could.

~Judd Nelson

My closest friend is canine. I have precious few close friends, and most of them are not actors

~Judd Nelson

Santa Jr. I was a cop. Yes, I was officially Santa. But a younger Santa.

He goes young, clean-shaven, to how we imagine Santa with all the white hair and beard and "Ho ho ho." Kind of funny.

~Judd Nelson

I play a garbage man who moonlights as a stand-up comedian.
Terrible.

~Judd Nelson

Death is not my best subject.

~Judd Nelson

I like the way the old Toyotas look.

~Judd Nelson

I got offered to do Ben 10. Sue Blu was the [voice] director of that, and I had worked with her - I think she was on Transformers as well. And she was so great.

~Judd Nelson

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