

# Karla Souza

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The patriarchal society has made women believe, first of all, you're only valid and valuable when you're young.

~Karla Souza

Mexican food is one of the best culinary experiences that people can have.

~Karla Souza

Until they hired a Latina to write for Laurel [in *How to Get Away with Murder*], I was scared that she was going to fall into stereotypes.

~Karla Souza

I guess that storytelling would be for me to keep making art that touches people in a way that nothing else can.

~Karla Souza

I think Shonda Rhimes came to change television for women forever.

~Karla Souza

I know that [Sunday is the day you spend with your family] is a tradition that I want to keep alive and I also want to share.

~Karla Souza

I love family. In this movie [*Everybody Loves Somebody*], my character is a successful OB-GYN and yet she goes back to her teenage years when she's with her parents. Like, that's me.

~Karla Souza

I hope that we start trendsetting [with *Everybody Loves Somebody*], you know, like having bigger movies also include that. Because I think it'll definitely change a lot of what's going on right now.

~Karla Souza

People follow my movies for a reason, and that's because I believe in

them, and I don't want to just make movies for the sake of making movies.

~Karla Souza

I felt really strongly about this script [ Everybody Loves Somebody] because, like you said, it's a very specific way of life.

~Karla Souza

I tell [scriptwriters] I think [their scripts] has too many stereotypes, that even the way they come in and out of Spanish doesn't really make sense, it feels forced.

~Karla Souza

I explain that as Latinos, we can also be professionals.

~Karla Souza

I also really pay attention to whether the script embodies a full female character or if they're just wanting a two-dimensional objectified woman. So I also have that aspect to take care of as well.

~Karla Souza

["When are you getting married" in Everybody Loves Somebody] is funny because it's put on by women and men. Society makes women feel like, oh, you're getting old.

~Karla Souza

All the products that are sold to us - those anti-aging products - are telling us that there's a due date.

~Karla Souza

I think that, for sure, we as women should try and realize that it's more about having someone to share.

~Karla Souza

[The main character] is in a forever-growing process. I feel the movie [everybody Loves Somebody] did that very well and not finishing off as "a woman's life ends when she finds the right guy".

~Karla Souza

I would get very frustrated reading scripts that were bilingual but maybe not bicultural.

~Karla Souza

Our society really needs to take a better look at what we're selling, because I think women being empowered will be as beneficial to men as it is to us.

~Karla Souza

The music in the movie [Everybody Loves Somebody] is very much hand-picked specifically because it's our history and our traditions. The themes are universal.

~Karla Souza

I love that in this movie [Everybody Loves Somebody], you almost want to go and hang out with this family.

~Karla Souza

Wisdom and white hair might not be as valued [in our society] as in different cultures.

~Karla Souza

Romantic comedies, if done badly, can be catastrophic.

~Karla Souza

I think, especially with this show [How to Get Away with Murder], we have Viola Davis and Pete Nowalk as the showrunner.

~Karla Souza

[Everybody Loves Somebody] was a different take on that immigrant sort of life.

~Karla Souza

There's not enough of those inclusive projects where I feel like I'm interpreting a human being and not just a statistic or a nationality.

~Karla Souza

This movie [Everybody Loves Somebody] is as much for the general market as it is for Latino audiences. That's a really exciting prospect.

~Karla Souza

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