

Kenneth Branagh Quotes

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Friendship is one of the most tangible things in a world which offers fewer and fewer supports.

~Kenneth Branagh

One of the things that makes Hamlet unique among Shakespeare's characters is his courage to face up to the darker elements of his personality.

~Kenneth Branagh

Hamlet and Victor Frankenstein are each obsessed with death. Hamlet's whole story is a philosophical preparation for death; Victor's is an intellectual refusal to accept it.

~Kenneth Branagh

We're self obsessed and mad and stupid - not that other people can't be the same way - but the extremes are kind of honest in some mad way. Anyway, I like them.

~Kenneth Branagh

It doesn't mean old or younger. I've learned a lot from people much younger than me as well as people much older than me. So I think it's about honesty and generosity.

~Kenneth Branagh

My definition of success is control.

~Kenneth Branagh

I come from the theatre, my bones are in the theatre; it's as natural as breathing to want to be in the theatre

~Kenneth Branagh

The glory of 70mm is the sharpness of the image it offers.

~Kenneth Branagh

There is some mysterious thing that goes on whereby, in the process of playing Shakespeare continuously, actors are surprised by the way the language actually acts on them.

~Kenneth Branagh

I don't think Hamlet is mad, nor is he predisposed to be a gloomy or tragic figure.

~Kenneth Branagh

The ferocity of passion that is engendered by people when they don't like what you've done is really tremendous. It's intense.

~Kenneth Branagh

The elasticity of Shakespeare is extraordinary.

~Kenneth Branagh

So many plays with magic in them that would be a terrific invitation to an imaginative animation team.

~Kenneth Branagh

In the hands of a great poet, words have ways of affecting us in ways we don't understand.

~Kenneth Branagh

The best actors, I think, have a childlike quality. They have a sort of an ability to lose themselves. There's still some silliness.

~Kenneth Branagh

It's very strange that the people you love are often the people you're most cruel to.

~Kenneth Branagh

Adults are just children who earn money.

~Kenneth Branagh

Don't stand up when you can sit down and don't sit down when you can lie down.

~Kenneth Branagh

Music and language are a vital element. We, as actors and directors, offer it to people who want to experience it. Sometimes the actual meaning is less important than the words themselves.

~Kenneth Branagh

I only really cast people who are desperate to be in it - who were dying to be in it, whose talent I believed in and were dead ready to do the work that was necessary.

~Kenneth Branagh

Aging is the diminishing of early fearlessness.

~Kenneth Branagh

I think the best actors are the most generous, the kindest, the greatest people and at their worst they are vain, greedy and insecure.

~Kenneth Branagh

For all the cynicism that the world contains, people are a little more open to those things that maybe are to do with returning you to some kind of simpler, happier state.

~Kenneth Branagh

It's quite hard for people to just accept that they're very contradictory.

~Kenneth Branagh

If you've done a brilliant version it becomes something else.

~Kenneth Branagh

The long version of the play is actually an easier version to follow. In all of the cut versions the intense speeches are cut too close together for

the audience and the actors.

~Kenneth Branagh

Actually I think 'A Midsummer Night's Dream' could sit very very perfectly in the middle of a Disney world I think.

~Kenneth Branagh

After Frankenstein, I feel as if I want to make a film about somebody having a nice cup of tea.

~Kenneth Branagh

As soon as someone I don't respect tells me I can't do something, it just makes me want to do it even more.

~Kenneth Branagh

I certainly have been guilty of trying to sweep things under the carpet.

~Kenneth Branagh

Actors are the best and the worst of people. They're like kids. When they're good, they're very very good. When they're bad they're very very naughty.

~Kenneth Branagh

I think that a lot of exciting elements are finding a place where a film is happily, truly about something.

~Kenneth Branagh

When I'm acting, I'm in the director's hands. I'm very happy to be. I like to be focused on what I'm doing.

~Kenneth Branagh

I've heard from quite a few people, you sense that there is an ownership of the [Cinderella], it was so personal for so many people, so I was interested in trying to work out why that was.

~Kenneth Branagh

Variety is very, very good. Going from medium to medium, if you get the chance to do it, from theater to television to film, which are all distinctly different, keeps me sharp.

~Kenneth Branagh

Sometimes it comes out in what I call tricky behavior. That's not always easy to deal with, but it's fascinating. The key thing is to make sure that somebody's tricks don't trip up somebody else.

~Kenneth Branagh

Even when a film is finished, when I direct a film, sometimes it's a dark profession, but it requires a peculiar form of courage that I admire.

~Kenneth Branagh

Truth is like most opinions - best unexpressed.

~Kenneth Branagh

If it's good art, it's good.

~Kenneth Branagh

There are some amazing stories from all over this country, where people's work and contribution has been acknowledged. To be part of that is an absolutely fantastic feeling.

~Kenneth Branagh

I'm basically quite a cheerful person.

~Kenneth Branagh

I'm just a foul-mouthed Brit.

~Kenneth Branagh

If you've been to Moscow, it's a really exciting and great city, but it still

feels like you should be a little careful about which way you're going to step.

~Kenneth Branagh

I don't feel in a kind of race or competition with him or anybody else, because that kind of reactive thing isn't good, or isn't useful for natural creative instincts

~Kenneth Branagh

I wanted to have a place and a space, and a building, in which to create a season of work I am here because the idea of a theatrical home is very appealing to me

~Kenneth Branagh

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