

# Laura Benanti

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Don't wait for people to tell you who you are. Show them.

~Laura Benanti

Being in front of a live audience again. I get that in my concerts but there's nothing like being on Broadway.

~Laura Benanti

I think it's good to have an old fashioned musical as well as new musicals. There's a lot of room for different shows.

~Laura Benanti

I didn't love stickers and unicorns and stuff, but just if I were to ride on the back of a beast to work, I want it to be a frickin' unicorn.

~Laura Benanti

I learned to stop saying yes because I then have to back out. I've been trying to prioritize my health.

~Laura Benanti

I think there's that weird bastardization where musical theatre actors are treated as almost like vaudevillians or circus performers - that we're somehow not good actors because we sing and dance.

~Laura Benanti

I'm not a big weird eater-of-things. I mean honestly I would say like for me, like escargot or sweetbreads is the weirdest thing I've eaten. But I haven't eaten like bugs or... not that I know of.

~Laura Benanti

I am a feminist with a capital 'F' .

~Laura Benanti

I am not so secretly a comedian. I write a lot of my own material if you've seen videos I've done. I write jokes.

~Laura Benanti

If we had an audience to play to, the performance would have gotten too big. Sizing our performances to the camera was an important journey for me at least.

~Laura Benanti

I always love to see singing on television; any form of a musical is exciting to me.

~Laura Benanti

Musical theatre is my first love.

~Laura Benanti

I think that every therapist that I know, including my dad and my sister, have their own issues. But that empathy is what makes them good at their job.

~Laura Benanti

My parents were in 'Brigadoon' on Broadway when I was a couple of years old.

~Laura Benanti

I have to create opportunities for myself. But the thing I really have learned is that you gain nothing from sitting around waiting for the phone to ring - you have to do it for yourself.

~Laura Benanti

Well, I'm grateful for all the experiences that I've had.

~Laura Benanti

Just because you're a belter doesn't make you funny; it just means that's how your pipes are set up.

~Laura Benanti

For me, Twitter has given me a direct line to the world - it gave me an opportunity to be like, "This is my voice.

~Laura Benanti

I do think that there is an almost more old fashioned mentality to the way musical theatre people and actresses especially are treated.

~Laura Benanti

I really do love the Muppets. My sister used to call them the Muffets. She'd be like, "Can we watch the Muffets?" So anything that reminds me of how adorable my sister was, I'm a big fan of.

~Laura Benanti

My parents took me to see Stevie Wonder when I was about 3, but my mom made us leave because everybody around us was smoking pot.

~Laura Benanti

I'm such a goody two-shoes, I've never stolen a single thing. I would not be able to handle it. I would not be able to live with the guilt of having stolen something.

~Laura Benanti

I'm such a goody two-shoes, I don't even taste the fruit at the grocery store. Like oh, are these grapes good? I can't even do that. I'm that much of a rule-follower.

~Laura Benanti

I've always wanted to go to Austria.

~Laura Benanti

I finally stopped complaining about 'Why isn't everybody else making me what I want to be?' You can't rely solely on your agent or your managers to educate people as to who you are.

~Laura Benanti

I don't like the word "brand." When I see people creating a brand, it feels disingenuous.

~Laura Benanti

My favorite show tune has got to be Stephen Sondheim's "I Remember Sky." It's probably the saddest song of all time I sing it to myself in the mirror. No, I am kidding. That's the joke.

~Laura Benanti

I try to give the appearance that I have it all together and that I know what I'm talking about, but at the end of the day, I think I might be full of crap.

~Laura Benanti

My biggest influence is someone I really don't know at all: Tina Fey. Smart, funny, beautiful, self-deprecating, also a mom and a wife.

~Laura Benanti

I haven't been trying to be anything other than myself.

~Laura Benanti

I've met a lot of famous people that I just thought were so unbelievable. For me, meeting Julie Andrews was probably the highlight of my life.

~Laura Benanti

Some people have jobs where other people don't clap for them. I don't understand that.

~Laura Benanti

Do I want to write a musical? No. I like to do musicals.

~Laura Benanti

I don't think theater is dying, and musicals are a great American art form. We've got apple pie, jazz and musical theater.

~Laura Benanti

I was always a little adult. Even as a little kid, I just couldn't understand why I was surrounded by all these kids. I took things very seriously.

~Laura Benanti

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