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Tanning is tricky, because a lot of people just look orange.

~Laura Linney

Traits like humility, courage, and empathy are easily overlooked - but it's immensely important to find them in your closest relationships.

~Laura Linney

I have a bag with a toothbrush and toothpaste and all the things I might need during the day. I call the bag my trailer. Sometimes you don't have a trailer, so that's my trailer.

~Laura Linney

I believe that no matter what you do in life, if you learn the basics through theater, it will help you in everything else - problem solving, communication, discipline, all of that stuff.

~Laura Linney

Doing the right thing has power.

~Laura Linney

People's view of cancer will change when they have their own relationship with cancer, which everyone will, at some point.

~Laura Linney

That's my favorite food group: donut. I love the donut.

~Laura Linney

Comedy is a way to make sense of chaos. It's a way of dealing with things that are overwhelming, that threaten you; it's a way to survive and get closer to the truth.

~Laura Linney

I think everybody handles things very differently and you can conjecture, but until you're put in that situation, you really don't know.

~Laura Linney

My family is from the South, and I can remember all those ladies I grew up with, like my great-aunts, who had handkerchiefs. There's something sweet about them.

~Laura Linney

My parents were divorced and I didn't grow up with my father, but I spent a lot of time around him, and his influence on me has been profound.

~Laura Linney

I grew up in Manhattan and, since my father was a playwright, all I ever wanted to be was a stage actress.

~Laura Linney

A magnetic personality doesn't necessarily indicate a good heart.

~Laura Linney

My parents were divorced and I would spend weekends with my father.

~Laura Linney

When your life is being threatened there's an instinctive urge to fight. You fight for the time you have, for your relationships.

~Laura Linney

I enjoy learning about different periods and people, and then taking what's universal about the human condition and seeing where it matches up. No matter where you are, certain things unite everybody.

~Laura Linney

Cancer is so much bigger than a TV show.

I crave a cone of silence every once in while.

~Laura Linney

The entertainment industry is terrified of silence.

~Laura Linney

I'm very hard on my bags because I tend to carry a lot of stuff with me.

~Laura Linney

I don't want to spend my life in my 40s feeling bad about being in my 40s, and then all of a sudden I'm 50, and I will have missed a whole decade!

~Laura Linney

I grew up in Manhattan on the Upper East Side.

~Laura Linney

Some people's personalities are so compelling that they command attention.

~Laura Linney

Courtroom dramas can be boring.

~Laura Linney

Collaboration. ... For me, it has informed every move I've ever made. And it saved me in many ways and still does. When things get hard, you can cling to the work.

~Laura Linney

I love actors, regardless of where they are in their skill level. There's something terribly satisfying about working with someone who's really learning.

I'm always curious, but I'm learning things I never thought I'd learn. I get to travel to places I never thought I'd go.

~Laura Linney

What I love about a play is that it's such an investment because only time can create a lot of what happens onstage.

~Laura Linney

I get cold - really cold - when I travel.

~Laura Linney

Ask "why" until there is no more "why."

~Laura Linney

I tend to make low-budget movies but, yeah, I make more money than I ever thought I would make.

~Laura Linney

What I hope in my ideal world is that with each project, I'll either get to work with a really great script that would force me to grow, or work with a really great actor who will make me better.

~Laura Linney

What I find so interesting about people is the choices they make, and how that effects their behavior, their sense of self and their relationships.

~Laura Linney

I could have gone to the gym for three hours a day and bought into all that, but I just wasn't interested.

~Laura Linney

Fame didn't happen to me in my 20s, it has been a gradual thing which probably makes it easier to deal with.

~Laura Linney

I don't consider myself a celebrity, and I don't consider myself a star.

~Laura Linney

I hope that anyone I worked with wouldn't exploit our relationship.

~Laura Linney

History's a resource.

~Laura Linney

I think the way we talk about cancer has really evolved. I remember the way my grandmother used to talk about it, like a death sentence, no-one would even mention the word.

~Laura Linney

I don't think you should exploit your own pain.

~Laura Linney

To be too knowing is a downfall.

~Laura Linney

For me to have the opportunity to stay with one character for, God willing, a long period of time, is really exciting.

~Laura Linney

But I've also spread my net very wide. If there's one thing that I've done on purpose it's to take whatever job, so long as it's interesting and challenging, whether it's theatre, radio, TV or film.

~Laura Linney

I'm not someone who likes to have my picture taken, let alone see it plastered all over the place.

We all have a limited amount and that it's a privilege to grow old. That's something that I think a lot of people have forgotten in this very fast-paced world where youth is overly celebrate.

~Laura Linney

The basic laws of good acting are the same, but everything about the experience is different-your job responsibility, the time you spend on it.

~Laura Linney

I am very lucky, because for the most part people are very nice to me, and I am still able to go about my life and ride the subway and all that.

~Laura Linney

What people can survive and what they don't survive is shocking to me. Someone can go to Iraq and be blown to bits and survive. Someone can trip and fall on the street and they die - that's that.

~Laura Linney

I certainly didn't have a nanny.

~Laura Linney

I always laugh to myself when I listen to some really big A-list star saying that they are just a normal person.

~Laura Linney

You know when someone's over-flattering you in a way. You smile but you can't believe it.

~Laura Linney

I've always thought that I'm sexy in my own right, but not in a way that people thought was bankable.

~Laura Linney

I still know I have an awful lot to learn, and I hope I'm put in whatever

situation it is that's gonna help me learn it, or that I'll get to watch really good people do what they do.

~Laura Linney

At school I was always trying to con my teachers into letting me act out book reports instead of writing them.

~Laura Linney

The goal seems to me at times just to be business first.

~Laura Linney

I had learning disabilities, and I couldn't express myself in the written word.

~Laura Linney

The thing about death is that it's honest. I go to things that have a core of honesty about them and there's nothing more honest than death.

~Laura Linney

People can't really place me. They're not really sure who I am. Sometimes they think I'm Helen Hunt. Sometimes they think I'm Laura Dern.

~Laura Linney

I don't mind aging. I mean, my whole thing is, it's just a privilege to age. ~Laura Linney

Fear, anxiety and neurosis: that's just in the suitcase when you're an actor.

~Laura Linney

I love working closely with people.

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