

Marc Maron

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It seems people are more willing to let other people control their minds now and recreational drug use doesn't seem to have that same renegade sense of adventure that it once did.

~Marc Maron

I'm not for everyone. I'm barely for me.

~Marc Maron

Maybe depression is the most reasonable response to all the crap around us. Maybe it's the happy people who need medication.

~Marc Maron

That's the big challenge of lifeâ€”to chisel disappointment into wisdom so people respect you and you don't annoy your friends with your whining.

~Marc Maron

Buying my wife a gun sort of like me saying, ' You know, I kinda want to kill myself, but I want it to be a surprise'.

~Marc Maron

You can't avoid pain in life. It's how you handle pain, that's what defines you.

~Marc Maron

In most cases the only difference between depression and disappointment is your level of commitment.

~Marc Maron

We need the children of Indonesia and the Philippines to manufacture our freedom of choice.

~Marc Maron

Well, evolution's just a theory.' And, I'm thinking to myself, 'Well, thank

goodness gravity's a law.'

~Marc Maron

Faith in the face of disappointment is only enhanced by laughter in the face of pain.

~Marc Maron

I'm not completely sure we aren't all living in a hallucination now.

~Marc Maron

For my next trick I will make everyone understand me.

~Marc Maron

It's easy to maintain your integrity when no one is offering to buy it out.

~Marc Maron

Have you ever had one of those moments when you look up and realize that you're one of those people you see on the train talking to themselves?

~Marc Maron

Jerusalem Syndrome is actually a rare psychological condition that occurs to some visitors to the Middle East. They get to Israel and just snap.

~Marc Maron

Left wing, right wing, I am wingless and tired of trying to fly. Here comes the ground.

~Marc Maron

The truth is, I can't read anything with any distance. Every book is a self-help book to me. Just having them makes me feel better.

~Marc Maron

When I was a young kid I loved Don Rickles, Buddy Hackett and Jackie Vernon.

~Marc Maron

The Internet has usurped the collective unconscious and access to cosmic consciousness has become difficult and almost primitive.

~Marc Maron

Everyone is a little bitter. We're born bitter. The personality itself is really just a very complex defense mechanism. A reaction to the first time someone said, "No you can't."

~Marc Maron

Your insecurity and neediness is what makes you a big neurotic ball of comedy genius.

~Marc Maron

Dogs are too much to handle. I don't need anything in my house that's needier than me.

~Marc Maron

Art is supposed to punch you in the brain, and it's supposed to stay punched.

~Marc Maron

Most of my comedy writing happens through improvisation on stage; doing it in the moment.

~Marc Maron

You get all excited to give her the ring, and it's real emotional, and you give it to her, and she cries. And a second later, you're like, 'Damn, I could have had a car.'

~Marc Maron

In the sixties and seventies you could probably name all the great comics. It was still special.

~Marc Maron

I think the reason Jesus is so popular, just on a celebrity level, is that he died at the peak of his career.

~Marc Maron

I think that standup has always been an acquired taste and there was always only a handful of performers that were really inspired.

~Marc Maron

I didn't really want to kill myself, it just made me feel better to know I could if I wanted to.

~Marc Maron

They are not testing comics for drugs. If our job is dependent on that, there would be three working comics in the country, and two of them would have puppets.

~Marc Maron

I was also a big Woody Allen fan. When I got into college I listened to Lenny Bruce but it's taken me years to put him into context historically and really get what he did.

~Marc Maron

I'm sad to see the passing of the great drug warriors. I certainly did my part in that battle and I don't regret any of it.

~Marc Maron

On some level any appearance on Television can be seen as a product endorsement.

~Marc Maron

The bile makes it better. I am an information wasting machine - 100s of words a day.

~Marc Maron

Comedy is obviously a matter of personal taste and the world always needs a clown and some people have no taste at all and any clown will do.

~Marc Maron

Surveillance induced morality: relics of cultural retardation.

~Marc Maron

I think seeing Pryor's first movie, Live In Concert, when I was in high school changed my life. Pryor really put the heart in darkness for me.

~Marc Maron

As a performer you are being used to keep people watching so the commercial endorsements that support the network can be seen by as many people as possible.

~Marc Maron

The worst thing about living in this world, in general, is that things get overwhelming, and things cause a tremendous amount of despair and anxiety.

~Marc Maron

I've become less angry and a little more humble by age and by experience and by going through the ups and downs of life.

~Marc Maron

I look at every book as a self-help book.

~Marc Maron

Conversation is a beautiful thing. When I was a younger guy, just

wandering around talking to people was what kept me connected to the world.

~Marc Maron

I don't make a list of questions. Ever. I think a lot of my interviews are driven by my need to feel connection.

~Marc Maron

I don't care what anybody says, I think that George Bush is absolutely the right president to oversee the end of the world.

~Marc Maron

I used to do a lot of drugs. I didn't stop because I didn't enjoy them; I stopped because I couldn't handle the commitment.

~Marc Maron

There's nothing more horrifying than the possibility or the idea that you will just fade away into obscurity.

~Marc Maron

When you actually meet the devil and he offers you a deal most artists eventually negotiate.

~Marc Maron

If you let someone talk for an hour, you're gonna have a pretty good idea of who they are, and I think that's more rewarding than me sitting there going, "That's complete bullshit about health care."

~Marc Maron

We live in a culture where people are self-centered and careerist and everybody seems to think they have too much on their plate or they just don't have time for other people's pain.

~Marc Maron

You hope to see an arc of growth in your ability to become a character on television.

~Marc Maron

I'm just saying, 'Hey, throw me a bone. How about a smile, cute t-shirt? Look at me.' Nothing - unless it's a turn to their friends to go, 'Hey, why is that weird guy looking at us?'

~Marc Maron

I'm happy, certainly, given the times we're living in, to be doing OK, and to not be worrying about money, and to be producing something I enjoy.

~Marc Maron

I'm proud to be part of a generation where reading is a 'look.'

~Marc Maron

The way I figure it, if you can't tell I'm high by looking at me, I win.

~Marc Maron

I once talked about wanting to kill myself, but I don't think I was ever really planning on doing it. It was just comforting to know that I could.

~Marc Maron

I think sharing experience makes everything better. When people get talking about how they've overcome something or how they haven't, it's nourishing.

~Marc Maron

It always astounds me that over the course of my career, and having lived in four comedy cities - New York, Boston, San Francisco, and Los Angeles - there's very few people I haven't run into.

~Marc Maron

It may have lost its special-ness forever and the clubs might not be doing well but I think standup is in the best shape it has been in a long time.

~Marc Maron

I'm not against people just being funny or telling stories. I don't need to delve into the soft, dark core all the time. If it happens, it happens.

~Marc Maron

I'm glad to be part of the war on sadness. I'm a part time employee of the illusion that keeps people stupid.

~Marc Maron

I'm not fundamentally a writer. I know writers, and I have a tremendous amount of respect for them. It bothers me that no matter how well I do it, it's not really my format.

~Marc Maron

There are a lot of things that I'm allowing myself to be, but it's a conscious effort to experience contentment for me. My brain doesn't do that naturally. I'm very overwhelmed all of the time.

~Marc Maron

Because we're comics and we pass each other on campus, we know of each other, and a lot of the time there's a mutual respect there.

~Marc Maron

Most of the comics that I talk to I've never talked to for more than ten minutes ever. So 95 percent of the time you're really hearing the first conversation between me and that guy on the podcast.

~Marc Maron

It's great to have people come out. I do worry, though. They know me very intimately, in a way, if they listen to my show; they know a lot

about me.

~Marc Maron

I always thought I was funny, but I was very sensitive, and very provocative just to get a rise out of people.

~Marc Maron

I just wanted to be a good comic and had no sense of show business, but at some point you want the opportunity to write a show about your life.

~Marc Maron

As I became very conscious and more aware of things I got very into the beatniks and that kind of stuff. They were very important to me for a few years.

~Marc Maron

I live in Los Angeles, I know it exists. I know you're not supposed to taste air.

~Marc Maron

Comics seemed to have a handle on things. They could sort of disarm and get control over reality. I found it very comforting to laugh.

~Marc Maron

He does have that weird mixture of born again Christian and stupid that some people mistake for courage and focus.

~Marc Maron

There's a fine line between cultural criticism and bitterness.

~Marc Maron

My dad is actually a manic depressive, which is very exciting half the time.

~Marc Maron

In a lot of ways, I'm seeking some sort of peace of mind for myself. I'm a fairly emotionally petty, resentful guy who has an inflated sense of himself, and I needed to take that down a notch.

~Marc Maron

I knew most of my radio listeners were lefty political people, and I decided definitively not to be that guy - not to address politics.

~Marc Maron

Jokes do finish themselves. I really do see them as ongoing conversations about personal themes that I ruminate on.

~Marc Maron

I think things evolve into jokes. I don't generally write them down as jokes. I talk them out.

~Marc Maron

Hopefully standup will become special again.

~Marc Maron

I sort of get tired of myself sometimes. When you're busy, your life becomes relatively small. But I don't really get tired of talking to other people.

~Marc Maron

I have a very primitive sense that if I just turn on a radio or the television, that somebody's playing that stuff for me.

~Marc Maron

There's something about cats' self-sufficiency and their seemingly individualistic ways that I find compelling.

~Marc Maron

I know that the podcast is typically something I can do forever, because it's mine; it's just me and my producer and business partner, so it's our business.

~Marc Maron

When I was a bit older I had all of the George Carlin records, all of the Steve Martin records, all of the Cheech and Chong records and all of the Richard Pryor records.

~Marc Maron

Is it hard to make a living in show business? Yeah.

~Marc Maron

I was married once before, and I stopped.

~Marc Maron

The next evolutionary step is into the screen.

~Marc Maron

In show business, it takes 10 years to create an overnight success. You've heard that, right? But what you don't hear is that that's the exact same amount of time it takes to create a bitter failure.

~Marc Maron

Americans don't understand irony? I am an intelligent person living in the United States. My entire existence is ironic.

~Marc Maron

Whether people know the evolution of the conversation or not, I don't know, but thematically, as a comedian, I stay in the same ballpark - around my issues and my philosophy of life.

~Marc Maron

I'm weird; I have a very strange emotional memory. I really somehow

hold on to even passing moments with people.

~Marc Maron

I don't seek controversy. I don't seek to antagonize. Sometimes it happens, but I'm not there to argue politics.

~Marc Maron

I'm a guy that after having experience in radio and stuff, if I can trust the people I'm working with, I get a real thrill with working with other people who are good at what they do.

~Marc Maron

All I can do in the context of pursuing any sort of TV thing, and all I've done in the past, is offer your life at any given point in time to whatever situation you're in.

~Marc Maron

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