

Michael Arndt

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The fluidity of thought is based on the flexibility of beliefs and the emotional boundaries surrounding them.

~Michael Arndt

Failure can only exist from stagnant perceptions. Everything is a process of learning and if you learn something useful, you have success.

~Michael Arndt

In terms of writing characters or stories, at least initially, there's no difference between live-action and animation. A good story is a good story, whatever the medium.

~Michael Arndt

Every problem offers an opportunity for a solution. if you are in the right frame of mind to find it.

~Michael Arndt

Working at Pixar has been like my graduate school for screenwriting.

~Michael Arndt

I like to begin every screenplay with a burst of delusional self-confidence. It tends to fade pretty quickly, but for me, at least, there doesn't seem to be any other way to start writing a script.

~Michael Arndt

Who you think you are is only a thought.

~Michael Arndt

Changing how you think costs you no money and it takes no special talent. It does take a commitment on your part to be different.

~Michael Arndt

Good writing is deceptive in that it hides its own artifice - it makes it

seem easy.

~Michael Arndt

The way you think either stands in your way or assists you in achieving your goals.

~Michael Arndt

If you only know something one way, then you don't really know it.

~Michael Arndt

You never want your second act or the whole movie to just be this relentless march towards its goal. You want things to take the audience by surprise.

~Michael Arndt

Line up your thoughts up for potential, take action and success will follow.

~Michael Arndt

Writing a great script - not just a good one, but a great one - is almost an impossible task.

~Michael Arndt

All thought is created, therefore we are all creators of whatever world we live in.

~Michael Arndt

If you write a bunch of different characters with a bunch of different opinions, you end up with these long scenes of everyone standing around talking.

~Michael Arndt

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I had read enough mediocre scripts and was determined not to inflict another one on the world.

~Michael Arndt

My God, there are so many mediocre screenplays out there.

~Michael Arndt

One of my favorite films is LATE SPRING by Yasujiro Ozu. To me, it represents film as art.

~Michael Arndt

My thing is that most scripts aren't bad scripts, they're just not finished yet.

~Michael Arndt

It drives me crazy when people say, "All we're trying to do is create entertainment." I feel like people go to movies for more than that.

~Michael Arndt

The best writing really does come from the deepest, most private part of you.

~Michael Arndt

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