

Michael B. Jordan

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I'm a tropical weather cruiser. I like surfing, you know. I like being on the beach.

~Michael B. Jordan

I'm definitely a lover, but I fight when I have to - for something or someone.

~Michael B. Jordan

As human beings, why does it take somebody to feel like they're close to us for us to see their humanity? Why can't we see the humanity in people that are distant from us?

~Michael B. Jordan

Do as much homework as you can. Learn everybody's job and don't just settle.

~Michael B. Jordan

Don't pretend to know everything. I've been blessed to work with a lot of veteran actors, and I soak up lessons from them like a sponge.

~Michael B. Jordan

You know, you can try and plan [filming] as much as you want, but you get there on game day and you get thrown a curve ball, I guess, hey, the game plan goes out the window. You've got to adapt.

~Michael B. Jordan

Sometimes you gotta go with your first instinct. You gotta go with your gut. That's kind of how I live my life, you gotta go with your gut.

~Michael B. Jordan

Just us as people, we're different around different people and in different environments.

~Michael B. Jordan

I think redemption is about righting a wrong, and in that pursuit it's about trying. You can stumble, you can make mistakes, but it's about trying to do the right thing.

~Michael B. Jordan

As an actor, you always dream of having material that showcases what you can do.

~Michael B. Jordan

I've never been the kind of guy to hype myself up. It's just not my thing.

~Michael B. Jordan

I encourage first time filmmakers to be ambitious and take chances and risks, because you never know where your career is going to go.

~Michael B. Jordan

I think everyone starts in the mailroom at some point! It's a right of passage. Your boss has to throw something at you and order you around for at least two years.

~Michael B. Jordan

I want the scripts Leonardo DiCaprio doesn't have time for. Joseph Gordon-Levitt isn't available? Call me.

~Michael B. Jordan

I think everybody wants to be their own person and be an individual.

~Michael B. Jordan

Sometimes you've gotta hide the medicine in the food. You can't slap somebody in the face with facts, all the time. It's too harsh.

~Michael B. Jordan

The world is a little more diverse in 2015 than when the Fantastic Four comic first came out in 1961.

~Michael B. Jordan

I haven't been down to Navy Pier in such a long time. I know that's probably the touristy thing to do, but it just reminds me so much of 2000 when I was here shooting ["Hardball"].

~Michael B. Jordan

I've always wanted to direct and as I grow and I get older and I get older I just want to let that evolve.

~Michael B. Jordan

Father-daughter relationship, is something that I think is so unique and it can't really be explained unless you have a daughter.

~Michael B. Jordan

I think that humanity is at an all-time low in how we value life, especially among young Black people. We just don't really value each other's lives

.

~Michael B. Jordan

I'm extremely blessed. There's a lot of people trying to exactly what I'm doing, but I'm a part of that 9.1 percent that's actually having their dream come true. I just don't take that for granted.

~Michael B. Jordan

Watching a really good movie excites me, because it makes we want to get up off the couch and go shoot something and act in a scene.

~Michael B. Jordan

I'm not saying no to anything, at least as far as reading scripts. I don't care if it's television or films but, personally, I would say I'd like to establish myself more in film.

~Michael B. Jordan

Be collaborative. I've had some of my best experiences with directors who were able to sit down and have a conversation and ask me what I thought.

~Michael B. Jordan

It may not happen in my lifetime, but if I can play a part in moving things along, then I feel I've done a good job.

~Michael B. Jordan

I want to do more films.

~Michael B. Jordan

Honestly, I want to do films. I want to make that move from actor to producer, like Will Smith.

~Michael B. Jordan

I'm a comic book fan.

~Michael B. Jordan

Playing a bad guy would be fun, I'm not going to lie. I'd definitely do that in a heartbeat, because it's so out of my nature.

~Michael B. Jordan

I like the old '90s music.

~Michael B. Jordan

I was born with rhythm but I don't know if - I'm not a break dancer.

~Michael B. Jordan

My mother's in my life, but at the time you imagine your mom passing away, not being there ... as a kid you try to think of something that hurts you the most ... It was just a tool [in "Hardball"].

~Michael B. Jordan

You substitute certain things from your own personal life to get you to that mental place and that emotional state. At that time [Brian Robbins] went for the home run, the grand slam [in "Hardball"].

~Michael B. Jordan

Johnny Storm is such an iconic character. There's a lot of personality traits and things to him that people are really going to look forward to seeing.

~Michael B. Jordan

As I grow and get older, mature a bit, and work on my big boy voice a little bit, I definitely want to direct.

~Michael B. Jordan

I was born and raised in the Bay Area. It's the place I got a deep, deep affection for.

~Michael B. Jordan

I definitely want to do films. To see a character out from beginning to end in a matter of a hundred somewhat pages and then move on to the next role, is fascinating.

~Michael B. Jordan

I'm hoping to develop a lot of graphic novels and television shows and films and animation. I've got my hands in a lot of different things!

~Michael B. Jordan

I was born in Orange County - in Santa Ana. My dad is from California. I was raised on the East Coast. My first two years were in California, but I claim East Coast. I'm sorry, I don't rep California.

~Michael B. Jordan

That's one of the fun parts of becoming an actor: You can become whoever you want to be.

~Michael B. Jordan

Acting I'll do forever, but I want to produce and stuff as well.

~Michael B. Jordan

I think Chris [Evans] has got Captain America locked up. The role is in good hands.

~Michael B. Jordan

Creating the opportunities for other people and solid projects, things that I like, for sure, definitely. Acting I'll do forever, but I want to produce as well.

~Michael B. Jordan

For me, with me, making a film is always about humanity.

~Michael B. Jordan

[Kyle Chandler] definitely helped me out a lot, stepped up my game. Just like the volleying back and forth.

~Michael B. Jordan

What I was interested in [Fruitvale Station] was one guy and his life and how that related to all of our lives and the fact that it ended unnecessarily and what the fallout from that was.

~Michael B. Jordan

Start producing, some writing, directing is definitely what I want to do and I'll be doing a lot more in the future as well.

~Michael B. Jordan

If somebody comes up and they're African American as Mike is, and they're extremely talented as Mike is, they say, "Oh, yeah, he's the next ..." I think that it points to disparity.

~Michael B. Jordan

I've been living with that all my life. My name is Michael Jordan, so I'm always being compared to a person of greatness.

~Michael B. Jordan

Never played football, but I'm an athlete. I'm a competitor.

~Michael B. Jordan

I love sports. I've played basketball, baseball, soccer, tennis, track and field growing up.

~Michael B. Jordan

I want people to leave the theater and think, "How can I be a better person?" That's the only way things are going to improve.

~Michael B. Jordan

That's probably why my face was looking so crazy when I was crying [in "Hardball"] because it was some real.

~Michael B. Jordan

In terms of experience with the police, everybody got those. It's such a reality.

~Michael B. Jordan

I think every guy that's dated a girl or hasn't been straightaway into a relationship has had that 'so...' moment where a girl is like, 'Hey what are you doing?'

~Michael B. Jordan

In many ways for black actors there's been two leading guys: It's Will Smith vs. Denzel [Washington].

~Michael B. Jordan

Now if I cry on screen I think it's mint. Because I think that's how that person would feel at that time. And if it doesn't, then it just doesn't

happen.

~Michael B. Jordan

As an actor, you never want to feel like a tool. You never want to feel like, "Hey, just come here, say this, stop here, look this way," and that's it. You want to have a little input.

~Michael B. Jordan

I can't sing worth a lick, so I don't know if I would be allowed in the ["The Mickey Mouse Club"].

~Michael B. Jordan

Working with [Kyle Chandler] in the scene was like playing tennis. You work with really talented actors, I think they make other actors look really, really good.

~Michael B. Jordan

We were shooting this movie called "Hardball," with Keanu Reeves. We shot in the city, and I just remember I couldn't really do too much. At 13 or 14, you couldn't go out to any nightlife.

~Michael B. Jordan

Honestly, I'm a firm believer in the next generation of filmmakers. It's very important to keep things fresh, new, current. They have a pulse on what's important today.

~Michael B. Jordan

[Ryan Gosling] just got by because he's a cute kid? Yeah. I was an ugly kid; "The Mickey Mouse Club" wasn't for me.

~Michael B. Jordan

[Chris Evans] is doing an amazing job with "Captain America." I really enjoy those films as well so that's kind of pretty much where that was.

~Michael B. Jordan

The douchiest thing a guy could do on a date is to make a girl pay. If you invite her out and then make her pay.

~Michael B. Jordan

I don't like speaking on things that I don't care about and that I'm not personally invested in.

~Michael B. Jordan

I want to look at my audience and see all walks of life. I want to do something for everybody.

~Michael B. Jordan

Acting for me sometimes is taking whatever personal experiences I have and try to apply that [to a role].

~Michael B. Jordan

I think it's just easier for people to put you in a box or a lane because you look similar. I think that's unfair for anybody in any situation.

~Michael B. Jordan

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