

# Michael Fassbender

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You want society to accept you; but you can't even accept yourself.

~Michael Fassbender

I keep everything very simple. I like telling stories.

~Michael Fassbender

Everyone's crazy anyway. And those who think they aren't, are the ones who are even crazier - because they're in denial.

~Michael Fassbender

Big things have small beginnings.

~Michael Fassbender

We feel a lot of pressure about looking silly or appearing weak, whatever that means, or being a failure. You have to keep in your head: what's the worst that can happen?

~Michael Fassbender

What I find really interesting is to try and mix it up, to push myself and try different things. I don't want to stay in my comfort zone. I want to take risks and keep myself scared.

~Michael Fassbender

I'm aware of my weaknesses and THE BEAST WITHIN.

~Michael Fassbender

[As an actor] I have ideas, but things should always be fluid. You should always be ready to follow an instinct. Something might reveal itself on the day.

~Michael Fassbender

Any good kitchen should be stocked up in oysters, shouldn't they?

~Michael Fassbender

I love to go into a movie and have no idea what's going to happen in it.

~Michael Fassbender

Trying to identify and understand, as opposed to judging, is very important for me, in approaching characters.

~Michael Fassbender

We did a lot of that in drama school: intellectualising and maybe justifying your position. 'I am a thinking actor and I have thought this through' - well, just do it. I much prefer the doing aspect.

~Michael Fassbender

I could never swim in the ocean after seeing Jaws.

~Michael Fassbender

I'm always interested in trying to investigate different personalities. I want to keep myself guessing and keep the fear element alive, so that I don't get too comfortable.

~Michael Fassbender

At one point you think, well, it's funny, I could just be a starving actor... So if somebody were to pull the plug right now, there'd be no room for complaint.

~Michael Fassbender

Sometimes if I stick in a character too much I feel like I might start to get blinkered, because I'm making my decisions too definite.

~Michael Fassbender

If you're addicted to gambling, you know where to go to gamble. So, if you have a condition where you're addicted to sex, you know where other that are looking for the same thing are going.

~Michael Fassbender

When I go the cinema, unfortunately nowadays, especially with the big commercial films, the audience is spoon-fed through the entire experience and they don't have to do any work.

~Michael Fassbender

I take my work seriously but I can't take myself too seriously. I'm in such a crazy privileged position.

~Michael Fassbender

When I was four, I just wanted to drive, I collected toy cars. Where does that sort of thing come from? In hindsight you go, 'Oh, liked it because of this.' Maybe it's just the wheel.

~Michael Fassbender

I suppose the doctor-patient relationship has that idea of transference. I think it's a special thing that doctors have. We all find doctors sexy. That's why there are so many TV shows about doctors.

~Michael Fassbender

I'm fairly competitive.

~Michael Fassbender

As an audience member and as an actor I much prefer to find ambiguity.

~Michael Fassbender

If I'm playing a murderer, I don't go out and start murdering people.

~Michael Fassbender

It's more interesting isn't it, if I've got a hedonistic dark side?

~Michael Fassbender

Nobody wants to hear Metallica at lunchtime.

~Michael Fassbender

My goal was for acting to become my main income. I would say to myself, 'I'm good enough'. That became my mantra.

~Michael Fassbender

I might have been curious about actors' lives when I was growing up. That's human nature.

~Michael Fassbender

The arts are very alive in Ireland, so that had its influence on me. But I consider myself European, really.

~Michael Fassbender

Everything I put my name to and take part in, I want to be good. That's not saying it will always happen. But I want to make bold choices.

~Michael Fassbender

People are complicated. Our behavior towards one another is strange. So I like opportunities to investigate that.

~Michael Fassbender

You know, it's amazing. I don't even have a car, would you believe it? I had a motorbike and it got stolen last year. So I've got to buy another one of those, I suppose. I can treat myself to that.

~Michael Fassbender

I don't know what's going to happen. I'm flavor of the month at the moment, but somebody else is going to roll around the corner in three months' time. I just want to keep working. I can't stop!

~Michael Fassbender

I think the fact that us as a race still continues to be very tribal and we haven't really moved away from that over hundreds and hundreds of years of experience.

~Michael Fassbender

'Hunger' definitely changed my life, in terms of being recognized by filmmakers, since that was very much a filmmakers' film.

~Michael Fassbender

Even if I'm playing a superhero, it has to be steeped in reality.

~Michael Fassbender

I definitely think the first works best.

~Michael Fassbender

I try my best to find variety in what I'm doing, but there's a lot out there that's the same.

~Michael Fassbender

I don't like to plan anything ever because it never seems to work. I'm just really...let's just get this film out and see how this one does.

~Michael Fassbender

I'm not going to talk about my private life with a total stranger, unless I feel like I need to. Why would I? I don't.

~Michael Fassbender

The actors I looked up to when I was a teenager, they all just disappeared into different characters.

~Michael Fassbender

I've always been more inclined to go out to work than carry on with academic studies.

~Michael Fassbender

I don't think peroxide-blond hair is a beneficial look for me.

~Michael Fassbender

I always approach film as a fan.

~Michael Fassbender

There's no point in swanning through and being cool as a breeze in every scene. It's not really that interesting. Even if you're a superhero.

~Michael Fassbender

You know, when you finish the day, and you finish the scene, you don't get a chance to go back to it. So you wanna make sure that everything is left on the floor.

~Michael Fassbender

It's a difficult thing as an actor not to repeat one's self.

~Michael Fassbender

It's such a terrifying thing when mobs of people get together and persecute foreigners.

~Michael Fassbender

We're all curious about a lot of things.

~Michael Fassbender

As an actor, it's always been good to be working at all.

~Michael Fassbender

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