

Michael Schur

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The best shows are always the ones that are very, very low-concept and just about great characters.

~Michael Schur

If the doors aren't open, just kick them in and keep walking.

~Michael Schur

Sometimes you've got to just commit to the idea and press forward and trust that you made the right decision.

~Michael Schur

You can't just sit around in leopard-print slippers and drink champagne all day and think everything's gonna work out somehow.

~Michael Schur

I stopped using Twitter for a while just because I got sick of it and I started using it again, but I don't check the "mentions."

~Michael Schur

You really don't settle on an idea until you're really sure it's the best idea. Then once you settle on it you commit to it entirely. That was always the plan.

~Michael Schur

I got a lot of texts from friends and emails from friends and most of them were just pure jealousy.

~Michael Schur

You should be nice to people because it's better to be nice to people than mean to people, not because you think there's something in it for you.

~Michael Schur

I am of the opinion that there is more high-quality television being

produced than at any time in the history of television.

~Michael Schur

I don't know why anybody does anything in the world of television.

~Michael Schur

Rule number one for the writers when we committed to the jump was: no hoverboards. No one is allowed to pitch that everyone is on hoverboards. It's going to be very very gently sci-fi.

~Michael Schur

People do things with terrible motivations and those motivations are selfish and self-interested and financially driven.

~Michael Schur

I am not on Facebook. I'm not on Instagram. I only use Twitter, which I wish I didn't.

~Michael Schur

It's so much easier to write for an actor than for an imaginary character and then try to fit that character to an actor. It doesn't work very often in my experience.

~Michael Schur

I think that that the main problem with a lot of social media stuff in terms of ratings is it's a very skewed motivation.

~Michael Schur

My favorite sitcom of all time is 'Cheers.' That's a perfect example of how, like, people made fun of Cliff, but you never got the sense that they didn't like Cliff.

~Michael Schur

And personally I will say that Amy Poehler deserves about a thousand

trophies and so one is a good start, and I'm hoping this is the first of a thousand. That's my personal hope.

~Michael Schur

I care more about making sure the story is correct and the characters are behaving in character than I do about the individual jokes.

~Michael Schur

All of comedy at some level is trial-and-error, whether it's a stand-up trying out jokes or a comedy show trying stories.

~Michael Schur

I think if you're too concerned with being cool or hip or liked, you can't really make good TV because sincerity and coolness are opposites.

~Michael Schur

For storytelling purposes, there has to be conflict, but that doesn't mean the people have to be mean. I've never liked mean-spirited comedy.

~Michael Schur

I would far rather add a character who generates strong feelings than someone who just kind of floats along, generating medium-warmth smiles of gentle affirmation.

~Michael Schur

My favorite TV show of all time is 'The Wire,' which has the feeling of a project-based show. You draw in people from disparate parts of the world, and they have to work together to achieve a goal.

~Michael Schur

One of the worst things you could do in that world is curse at someone.

~Michael Schur

I hate this phrase, but it's a "can do" attitude [that's important] that,

whatever you do in life, you should have.

~Michael Schur

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