

Michelle Pfeiffer

Quotes

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I was considered the black sheep of the family, neighbours didn't want their kids playing with me.

~Michelle Pfeiffer

It's simple. Eat well, exercise and get lots of sleep but make sure you indulge occasionally. At my age , I think , what the hell , and eat a Krispy Kreme doughnut !

~Michelle Pfeiffer

I relax by taking my bicycle apart and putting it back together again.

~Michelle Pfeiffer

I used to smoke two packs a day and I just hate being a nonsmoker.... but I will never consider myself a nonsmoker because I always find smokers the most interesting people at the table.

~Michelle Pfeiffer

Somewhere along the line I made the switch and was able to look at the bright side rather than the dark side all the time. Now I look at everything I have and think how lucky I am.

~Michelle Pfeiffer

You know, the more you can meet people from different walks of life, the better it is for you. I think the more you can create situations and experiences that give you new perspective, the better.

~Michelle Pfeiffer

I find the less you focus on your flaws, the better off you are. Be yourself and be glad of who you are.

~Michelle Pfeiffer

Love humiliates you. Hatred cradles you.

~Michelle Pfeiffer

People make a lot of jokes about the empty nest. Let me tell you, it is no laughing matter. It is really hard.

~Michelle Pfeiffer

For me, getting comfortable with being famous was hard - that whole side of it, the loss of anonymity, the loss of privacy. Giving up that part of your life and not having control of it.

~Michelle Pfeiffer

You have a choice. It may not be a choice you like, but it is still a choice.

~Michelle Pfeiffer

Like all parents, my husband and I just do the best we can, hold our breath and hope we've set aside enough money for our kid's therapy.

~Michelle Pfeiffer

I have days when I just feel I look like a dog.

~Michelle Pfeiffer

I feel less pressure to dress youthfully. I'm 50 and everyone knows I'm 50 - who are you kidding? Jeans are my uniform. I have about 15 pairs.

~Michelle Pfeiffer

You can have it all, but you can't do it all.

~Michelle Pfeiffer

Just standing around looking beautiful is so boring.

~Michelle Pfeiffer

I act for free, but I demand a huge salary as compensation for all the annoyance of being a public personality. In that sense, I earn every dime I make.

~Michelle Pfeiffer

There have been people in my life who have told me I have to put myself out there more. But it's so hard for me to do that.

~Michelle Pfeiffer

Being a parent is the hardest thing in the world... the psychological toll it takes on you because these lives are in your hands. I take it very seriously.

~Michelle Pfeiffer

It's fun to kick ass and show that other dark side of yourself as well.

~Michelle Pfeiffer

I think all actors have a sadomasochistic streak, because acting is kind of brutal, you know.

~Michelle Pfeiffer

One of the things I love most about acting is just disappearing in the role, as much as I can. I think that's one of the things that intrigued me about it.

~Michelle Pfeiffer

Ultimately, I believe the only secret to a happy marriage is choosing the right person. Life is a series of choices, right?

~Michelle Pfeiffer

I say really stupid things sometimes. When I go back and watch some of my old interviews from when I was younger, I just cringe.

~Michelle Pfeiffer

I look like a duck. It's the way my mouth curls up, or my nose tilts up. I should have played Howard the Duck.

~Michelle Pfeiffer

I never wanted to have to take a job because I didn't have any money.

~Michelle Pfeiffer

Even though I don't feel I need approval, it's still important to me to give a good performance. I'm hard on myself.

~Michelle Pfeiffer

I can't imagine myself blowing up supermarkets!

~Michelle Pfeiffer

Being from Orange County is in a lot ways very much like being from the Midwest.

~Michelle Pfeiffer

I still think people will find out that I'm really not very talented. I'm really not very good. It's all been a big sham.

~Michelle Pfeiffer

There's always an imbalance with actors and actresses in the industry. And I think because there are just fewer movies overall being made, it's that trickle down effect.

~Michelle Pfeiffer

I'm a Taurus. To the bone.

~Michelle Pfeiffer

There is no question that the older you get, the fewer good roles there are.

~Michelle Pfeiffer

Everybody is vulnerable to being in relationships where they get fooled. I'm no different. It's just human nature.

~Michelle Pfeiffer

I know that I want to wait for something that I really feel great about.

~Michelle Pfeiffer

I've never lost my love for acting. I feel really at home on the movie set. I'm a more balanced person honestly when I'm working.

~Michelle Pfeiffer

I'm a perfectionist, so I can drive myself mad - and other people, too. At the same time, I think that's one of the reasons I'm successful. Because I really care about what I do.

~Michelle Pfeiffer

When I first started out, I said to myself, if this doesn't happen there will be something else that I can do. That seemed possible because I knew how to do so many different kinds of jobs.

~Michelle Pfeiffer

The value of a good education has never left me.

~Michelle Pfeiffer

I don't believe men want women to have grotesque plastic surgery or be undernourished and bony. All the plastic surgery in the world can't stop you getting older.

~Michelle Pfeiffer

It takes years for me to trust; I know that about myself. A lot of it is because I am so private, and so reluctant to make myself vulnerable.

~Michelle Pfeiffer

And I'm a really happy person, I enjoy life. I think you see that on people. I think there's nothing more aging than misery.

~Michelle Pfeiffer

I even had breasts that had mechanisms that could make them droop.

It was a shock in the beginning. Talk about special effects!

~Michelle Pfeiffer

I do think that, at one time, being an actress was the equivalent almost of being a prostitute. It garnered roughly the same respect. That's changed a lot, thank goodness.

~Michelle Pfeiffer

When I go to work and when I'm in the public eye, I take much better care of myself. Because when I'm not working, I do indulge more.

~Michelle Pfeiffer

Most people in the world have seen more of me on-screen than my kids have.

~Michelle Pfeiffer

I do sometimes feel like the paparazzi are really what ran me out of L.A. They're just giving everyone a bad name.

~Michelle Pfeiffer

De Niro is a classic example of somebody who is iconic and who sort of effortlessly puts actors at ease the moment you meet him. I think it's also just something that he innately does with people.

~Michelle Pfeiffer

I decided I needed something that I could feel as passionate about as acting, and something in which I could completely lose myself. I started painting, and I'm still doing it.

~Michelle Pfeiffer

I'd been taking singing lessons and I had taken dance, because I loved to dance, but I had never considered myself a professional at all.

~Michelle Pfeiffer

Maybe I haven't done enough movies, but haven't found that men are more difficult than women.

~Michelle Pfeiffer

I liked getting up at 4 in the morning, driving on the freeway, and going in and stocking shelves and laughing with the stock clerks.

~Michelle Pfeiffer

You can't have a favourite meal, like you can't have a favourite movie or a favourite book or a favourite child.

~Michelle Pfeiffer

It never occurs to me that I'd be intimidating to anybody. Maybe I should consider that.

~Michelle Pfeiffer

Rudeness is what gets to me [when someone being rude to me in a supermarket]. Yeah. That one does get to me, I have to say.

~Michelle Pfeiffer

If I really want to do something, I'll go in and do whatever the director feels that he needs me to do.

~Michelle Pfeiffer

I guess I do a really good job at covering.

~Michelle Pfeiffer

It's fun to explore areas that are taboo that you're not allowed to in real life as an actor.

~Michelle Pfeiffer

I still look like a duck.

~Michelle Pfeiffer

My father was very strict, but mostly I just didn't know how to behave on a date.

~Michelle Pfeiffer

When I wasn't working I didn't know what to do with myself and sort of didn't exist, in a way, when I wasn't working, so I was like two different people. I am not like that anymore.

~Michelle Pfeiffer

I'm good at disguising my feelings.

~Michelle Pfeiffer

I said, going into acting, 'I'm never moving to L.A.,' because it scared me. But there was no way you could build an acting career in Orange County.

~Michelle Pfeiffer

I guess I sort of just feel like I am lucky.

~Michelle Pfeiffer

You've got each other's back. I think if everyone shows up with that attitude, then everybody has a great time, and I think the work is better as well.

~Michelle Pfeiffer

I've been working since I was 14, and my father, being very conservative, has always been strict about my having a savings account.

~Michelle Pfeiffer

I don't really know what Hollywood is. I've never really known.

~Michelle Pfeiffer

If I do a move I don't like, I don't want to get so upset with myself.

~Michelle Pfeiffer

Every time I set up an interview, I say, "That's it, this is my last one. I'll do this because I committed to doing it, but I'm never doing another one."

~Michelle Pfeiffer

I used to do drugs in high school. I've been living in L.A. for almost 10 years, and shortly after I arrived I cleaned up pretty much. Stuff goes on on the set, stuff goes on at parties.

~Michelle Pfeiffer

I'm always amazed at how consistent people find me and my behavior, when in fact I do feel different all the time.

~Michelle Pfeiffer

I think that I am a compulsive person, but now I'm learning to put those compulsions into healthy things.

~Michelle Pfeiffer

I've worked with very few actors who have been at all difficult.

~Michelle Pfeiffer

I would speak up if I see someone being rude to someone.

~Michelle Pfeiffer

I went to court-reporting school to study stenotyping. After awhile, whenever anybody spoke, in my mind my fingers would be punching it out. Even two years after I quit, my mind still did that.

~Michelle Pfeiffer

I like understanding what's underneath, what's really motivating people. When I was younger, I wanted to be a psychiatrist, so I think it has to do with that.

~Michelle Pfeiffer

Well, I'm very stubborn. I think I have common sense; I'm probably at times a bit tunnel-visioned, but I'm strong.

~Michelle Pfeiffer

When you're young and have a dream, it's pretty simplistic. You don't think about or have any way of knowing everything it can be, and anticipate that.

~Michelle Pfeiffer

It's harder to live the way I live. There are certain places I like to shop and eat where I simply don't go. The paparazzi follow you.

~Michelle Pfeiffer

I do portraits. I usually do live models in a class environment, but I've been painting at home more. I really love the human form, and I love faces. I've tried to do landscapes a few times.

~Michelle Pfeiffer

My walk is consistently made fun of.

~Michelle Pfeiffer

There are certain scenes you do in a movie that are like catching a wave, and you leave work feeling elated - almost as though you've purged something. That's rare, but you do live for those moments.

~Michelle Pfeiffer

Women are brought up to think it's acceptable to pay attention to their faces. Men translate their discomfort into their behavior.

~Michelle Pfeiffer

Actually, I think that turning 29 was more difficult, because once I turned 29, I anticipated 30 for the whole year, so by the time 30 came

around it really wasn't that bad.

~Michelle Pfeiffer

Men do not take to vanity, because they are taught at an early age that it is wrong to be vain.

~Michelle Pfeiffer

Acting is kind of brutal.

~Michelle Pfeiffer

If you're working on something that isn't very demanding, isn't very fulfilling, then you have all this energy to burn, and you can go crazy.

~Michelle Pfeiffer

I am basically very private, and I'm really nervous about doing publicity.

~Michelle Pfeiffer

You know what I'd like to do? I'd like to play a bag lady.

~Michelle Pfeiffer

When I was very young I never thought I was attractive, because I was a tomboy and I was always the biggest girl in the class.

~Michelle Pfeiffer

If you think hitting 40 is liberating, wait until you hit 50; and I was surprised at how liberating it was. The anticipation of something is always much worse than the reality.

~Michelle Pfeiffer

People who are rude to waiters... I don't like that sort of thing. People who take cuts in line... it doesn't fly!

~Michelle Pfeiffer

I do find comedy difficult. I don't know why. Maybe I think about it too much. There's a tremendous amount of pressure to be funny.

~Michelle Pfeiffer

I worked so hard for so long - I did a lot of movies. I also worked a lot when my kids were smaller, before they were in school.

~Michelle Pfeiffer

You know, when I am working, I take really, really good care of myself. I eat really well, and I exercise, and again, I have this team of people pulling me together every day.

~Michelle Pfeiffer

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