

Park Chan-wook Quotes

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If your work requires you to travel, you will understand that there's no vacation destination like home.

~Park Chan-wook

I believe there are more films that involve love and forgiveness than violence, but they often seem fake and are almost embarrassing to watch.

~Park Chan-wook

In my opinion, all relationships between people have some sort of violence, and it is central.

~Park Chan-wook

Living without hate for people is almost impossible. There is nothing wrong with fantasizing about revenge. You can have that feeling. You just shouldn't act in it.

~Park Chan-wook

If you would ask me what my ideal process is, I would say, long pre-production, long production and long post-production.

~Park Chan-wook

The point of revenge is not in the completion but in the process.

~Park Chan-wook

I don't really believe in the auteur theory.

~Park Chan-wook

I actually pay careful attention to that sort of thing - infusing humor into my films - because that's how important I think humor is.

~Park Chan-wook

When I was growing up, we were taught in school that North Koreans, and especially the North Korean leadership, were all devils.

~Park Chan-wook

I love Philip Glass' work, not only as a film composer but also as a musician. The film score work that he does always amazes and shocks me.

~Park Chan-wook

Sometimes you need these warm, human moments - something that feels close - to help things along.

~Park Chan-wook

If I want to relax and not do anything, I don't want to leave home.

~Park Chan-wook

I've always had an interest in vampire films - not just 'Nosferatu,' but there are many others that I have enjoyed: Abel Ferrara, Coppola, Neil Jordan.

~Park Chan-wook

Actors are professionals who deal with people's emotions and their thoughts.

~Park Chan-wook

I am sure I am one of 2000 film directors in the world that Tarantino admires.

~Park Chan-wook

I'm not the kind of director who aims to send a message out.

~Park Chan-wook

I believe 'love' is very nice to hear, but it's used so much that it's come to a point where it's almost meaningless.

~Park Chan-wook

In our lives, we have good things and bad things, happiness and pain.

~Park Chan-wook

When I'm writing something, if it gets too serious, I just can't bear it, so I take a step back and take the overall scene in and vent the air a little bit.

~Park Chan-wook

Whenever I visit a city, I like to see what classical music concerts are on offer.

~Park Chan-wook

I feel myself becoming more mature and more fascinated and drawn to feminine values.

~Park Chan-wook

I am not going to do a film based on a bad scenario just to make a big Hollywood film or work with Hollywood stars.

~Park Chan-wook

The audience seems hazy to me, shrouded in a veil through which I can't see.

~Park Chan-wook

I grew up in a very Catholic family. Up until puberty, I would go to a Catholic church every week.

~Park Chan-wook

I do like musical films more than big Hollywood films, especially those by Jacques Demi and Vincent Minelli.

~Park Chan-wook

There's a humble beauty about listening to period instruments that I like.

~Park Chan-wook

I have always meticulously storyboarded my films from beginning to end.

~Park Chan-wook

A film set is a workplace for me; it's my office, and nobody really wants to be in a stressful work environment.

~Park Chan-wook

As I grow older I spend more time with my wife, and gradually my interest in the woman's world is growing.

~Park Chan-wook

I tend not to use the humor which would only apply to Koreans, or which would only affect the Koreans, as much as I can.

~Park Chan-wook

I became a film director, but I wasn't successful with my first couple of films, so I had to turn to becoming a film critic to make a living.

~Park Chan-wook

I'd like to do a really masculine film.

~Park Chan-wook

In my creative films, if there was something, some humorous moment that is lost to a non-Korean speaking audience, I'll be very sad.

~Park Chan-wook

Some audiences might find homosexuality an uncomfortable subject matter, and a character who is a Japanese collaborator is always uncomfortable.

~Park Chan-wook

A priest encounters temptation every day, and some of that desire is very natural.

~Park Chan-wook

I've read all of Sarah Waters's novels which have been translated into Korean.

~Park Chan-wook

Becoming a vampire means completely changing your identity.

~Park Chan-wook

Certain subjects may no longer be taboo in cinema. But there are ways to treat them that still create shock.

~Park Chan-wook

I guess I probably make violent films partly because I can't express my anger in my real life very well.

~Park Chan-wook

I did have a feminist side to me, just not in such a pronounced way.

~Park Chan-wook

I hate jeans for no reason.

~Park Chan-wook

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