

Richard Price

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I have offices all over the place and I avoid work everywhere. I don't like to write - I like to be finished.

~Richard Price

You don't write about the horrors of war. No. You write about a kid's burnt socks lying in the road.

~Richard Price

If I can tell you the story from beginning to end in five minutes, I'm ready to start writing.

~Richard Price

I don't write police stories, per se, but I usually write about areas that are very panoramic, like Harlem, or the Lower East Side, or a small urban city like Jersey City.

~Richard Price

I don't need all that much - I just need to know who my characters are and what kind of jam they're going to get into, and I'll write myself out of their jam.

~Richard Price

The first thing to look out for after your first big success are drugs and screenplays.

~Richard Price

Writers spend three years rearranging 26 letters of the alphabet. It's enough to make you lose your mind day by day

~Richard Price

I'd love to be a saxophonist. I don't know why, but I pretend I'm the saxophonist when I listen to music. I have about as much chance playing the sax as I do learning how to fly.

~Richard Price

I write because I write - as anyone in the arts does. You're a painter because you feel you have no choice but to paint. You're a writer because this is what you do.

~Richard Price

I write because I can't imagine not writing.

~Richard Price

You can't take a character anywhere they don't expect the character to go. But within those confines is where creativity lies

~Richard Price

I think the definition of an artist is not necessarily tied into excellence or talent; an artist is somebody who, if you took away their freedom to make art, would lose their mind.

~Richard Price

Some day, my son, you are going to learn that the two greatest joys of being a man are beating the hell out of someone and getting the hell beaten out of you, good night.

~Richard Price

Tremble, all ye oppressors of the world!

~Richard Price

The bigger the issue, the smaller you write.

~Richard Price

I do small cameos here and there but nothing that requires more than a paragraph of talking, because I'm just an amateur. The movie is a whole different reality.

~Richard Price

The kind of event on a conveyor belt that causes a fire occurs in a

variety of industrial environments, not uniquely in coal environments.

~Richard Price

I started thinking about my relationship with my students; I'm this guy who comes in from book - and movie - land and descends on angel wings into their classroom.

~Richard Price

Beat him, eat him and get out.

~Richard Price

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