

Roberto Benigni

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It's a sign of mediocrity when you demonstrate gratitude with moderation.

~Roberto Benigni

When I first saw a Fellini movie, I came out of the movie theatre and decided to become a lawyer! I thought to myself, it's impossible to make something so beautiful!

~Roberto Benigni

To laugh or cry is the most beautiful thing in the world

~Roberto Benigni

You're serving. You're not a servant. Serving is a supreme art. God is the first servant. God serves men but he's not a servant to men. -
Eliseo Orefice

~Roberto Benigni

I would like to thank my parents in Vergaio, a little village in Italy. They gave me the biggest gift: poverty.

~Roberto Benigni

The exquisite truth is to believe in something that maybe you know is a fiction, but you believe in it willingly.

~Roberto Benigni

Sometimes poetry, it is incomprehensible. But we need incomprehensible stuff! It is very healthy to talk about incomprehensible things! It is very healthy! We need it!

~Roberto Benigni

My duty is to try to reach beauty. Cinema is emotion. When you laugh you cry.

~Roberto Benigni

The most important thing is to continue to be yourself. The day after the Oscars, you have to get on with your life. To be honest and true to yourself.

~Roberto Benigni

I would like to be Jupiter, and lie down in the firmament and make love to everybody.

~Roberto Benigni

I remember in the circus learning that the clown was the prince, the high prince. I always thought that the high prince was the lion or the magician, but the clown is the most important.

~Roberto Benigni

I do not think the American peoples are idiots. They are a very playful and sensitive people! I know them!

~Roberto Benigni

I thank my parents for the greatest gift of all: poverty

~Roberto Benigni

My mother and my father went to the cinema for the first time when I made my first movie in 1978.

~Roberto Benigni

It's me, it's my habit to perform live onstage every four, five years. In Italy, it's my habit.

~Roberto Benigni

The Divine Comedy' is very sophisticated but also very popular.

~Roberto Benigni

In Italy, the country where fascism was born, we have a particular relation with the Holocaust, but as a turning point in history it belongs to

everybody in the world. It is a part of humanity.

~Roberto Benigni

My father was a farmer and my mother was a farmer, but, my childhood was very good. I am very grateful for my childhood, because it was full of gladness and good humanity.

~Roberto Benigni

The first movie I saw - and I don't know if it influenced me - was Ben Hur. We watched it outside in a corn field, and it ran backwards. So the first movie I ever saw was Ben Hur, backwards.

~Roberto Benigni

This is a terrible mistake, because I used up all of my English.

~Roberto Benigni

Fellini and Bunuel changed my life for me, they are my favourites. If it is true that movies are dreams, both of them, Fellini and Bunuel were shooting in a dream way.

~Roberto Benigni

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What is more simple than to tell to a little boy, 'This is not the truth, it is a game?'

~Roberto Benigni

For me, Fellini was like a watermelon. It is there. A watermelon cannot die.

~Roberto Benigni

Maybe sometimes I have been wrong with some movies. Anyway, I try

to do my best.

~Roberto Benigni

To be in front of an audience and pretending, and to lie, this is the principle of acting.

~Roberto Benigni

I am like a cartoon strip; I am like Donald Duck; everybody knows me in Italy.

~Roberto Benigni

Fellini belongs to nature.

~Roberto Benigni

I could have made a small film and kept all the money from 'Life is Beautiful'. Instead, I spent more money than I had on 'Pinocchio', a very risky film.

~Roberto Benigni

Stanley Kubrick is one of the geniuses of this century.

~Roberto Benigni

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