

Shawn Ryan

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You can make a good show, but you still need some magical alchemy to get people to watch.

~Shawn Ryan

The payment for sins can be delayed. But they can't be avoided.

~Shawn Ryan

There are certain economics involved in making a network TV show that you want to amortize the costs of that, so the more episodes you make, the cheaper they all are individually.

~Shawn Ryan

I've spent a lot of time thinking about what the audience would want. That's my job, is to anticipate ahead of the audience.

~Shawn Ryan

To this day, nothing makes me happier than finding a TV show I really love.

~Shawn Ryan

TV is just such a fast-moving medium that you do what you can do, and what you can't do, you don't worry about too much.

~Shawn Ryan

Working as a showrunner has made it tougher to watch other shows and movies.

~Shawn Ryan

I'm perfectly happy to color within the network lines when I have to.

~Shawn Ryan

I still feel driven to try to make great shows and to make each episode great.

~Shawn Ryan

Obviously there are different standards and practices that are allowed on cable versus network. You just have to embrace what your network is going to allow.

~Shawn Ryan

The worst thing you can do is end up with a network show on cable or end up with a cable show on network.

~Shawn Ryan

I've always read a lot of historical books and I'm a big fan of documentaries, and I've always thought of ways to do it.

~Shawn Ryan

In order to appeal to a wider audience on network in order to survive, generally your characters need to be, at a base level, a little bit more likable.

~Shawn Ryan

I think the bar is higher these days in terms of audience expectations of authenticity.

~Shawn Ryan

I'm very humble in terms of knowing that television is an extraordinary collaborative medium and that one person alone cannot make a great TV show.

~Shawn Ryan

I have no problem at all going back and forth between cable and network.

~Shawn Ryan

Everyone in Hollywood who is successful becomes less successful at some point. I'm just trying to delay that fall for as long as I can.

~Shawn Ryan

I don't ever want to have a weak episode of television with my name on it.

~Shawn Ryan

I don't want my writing to be recognized.

~Shawn Ryan

I don't want my writing to be so unique that when you apply it to different genres, it seems like the previous show that people know you from.

~Shawn Ryan

I would say on a creative level I put a lot of pressure on myself.

~Shawn Ryan

There will always be economic pressure to make hits, identify hits, and then exploit hits. And you're going to exploit them with as many episodes as you probably can.

~Shawn Ryan

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