

Spike Jonze

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I like hiring people based on a feeling - this person gets it - rather than what they've done in the past.

~Spike Jonze

Even in this world where you're getting everything you need and having this nice life, there's still loneliness and longing and disconnection.

~Spike Jonze

I always aspire to that, where it feels like the film was made by the characters as opposed to the filmmakers. I try to be invisible.

~Spike Jonze

Don't differentiate between 'This is a job' and 'This is what I'm doing for fun.' It's all simultaneous.

~Spike Jonze

You make a movie that is about what you want it to be about and let people have their reaction to it.

~Spike Jonze

The things that are really out of control, and scary, are emotions - of people around you, that are unpredictable, or those in yourself which are unpredictable.

~Spike Jonze

If I leave my phone in the car and go to dinner or something for a few hours, I'm very proud of myself.

~Spike Jonze

The past is just a story we tell ourselves.

~Spike Jonze

Doing a documentary is about discovering, being open, learning, and following curiosity.

~Spike Jonze

Be willing to get fired for a good idea.

~Spike Jonze

On everything I do I'm always taking someone's money, whether it's a movie studio or a record label. Somebody's paying for it, and I'm always respectful of that. But I'm never going to compromise.

~Spike Jonze

If I can make one generalised statement, and generalised statements are never entirely true, nobody wants to be talked down to, kids included.

~Spike Jonze

It's fun when you start a movie, because it's kind of like you get to go Christmas shopping... you get to make your wish list and you start thinking about what each character needs.

~Spike Jonze

I just want to make whatever is exciting.

~Spike Jonze

I feel like you only have so much time to make stuff. I'm definitely aware of that. I'm also excited about it.

~Spike Jonze

I'm not one to intellectualize why I did something.

~Spike Jonze

As a parent, your perspective of childhood is through the eyes of this person that you care so much about and you just want the world to be great for them. You want their life to be easy and happy.

~Spike Jonze

I like naps. I don't drink coffee.

~Spike Jonze

Emotions are messy and hard to figure out.

~Spike Jonze

Music is thousands and thousands of years old and I don't think that basic, primitive connection to the language of music ever changes.

~Spike Jonze

I definitely enjoy getting to know people I find inspiring.

~Spike Jonze

I think the way kids create is so inspiring. They're drawing a picture? They love the picture they drew; they're not tortured about it.

~Spike Jonze

You have to be involved and relate to the characters in order to make a film that is true emotionally.

~Spike Jonze

I don't understand the whole testing-numbers thing. It is not how I want to make movies.

~Spike Jonze

I think because I'm not a parent, my most immediate connection to childhood is my memory of my own childhood.

~Spike Jonze

Where The Wild Things Are we were asking a lot of a 9-year-old kid. We were asking a lot of any actor.

~Spike Jonze

I am better at math than spelling.

~Spike Jonze

Chris Cooper I got to work with many times.

~Spike Jonze

I feel like everything I make is personal to me.

~Spike Jonze

Big emotions that are unexplained are really scary. At least to me.

~Spike Jonze

The invention of the iPod changes how you use music. Suddenly you have music everywhere.

~Spike Jonze

Felt is not the easiest thing to animate. It's very flimsy.

~Spike Jonze

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