

# Taylor Hackford Quotes

*People, Looks, Film, Ego, Actors, Rays, Sex, Wells, Real, Giving, Class,  
Cameras, Thinking, Roles, Way, Special, Stars, Devil, Attitude, Emotional*

The SAS is the most elite of the special forces in the world. They are not people who go out and advertise; they keep it inside. They don't want anybody to know about them.

~Taylor Hackford

The director's job should give you a sense of music without drawing attention to itself.

~Taylor Hackford

This devil loves mankind because men are going to always make the choice that will send him into ascendancy. He's been winning the game for a long time.

~Taylor Hackford

My creative partner is a writer, and he's got an executive producing credit on this film. We've made three films together and I would never underestimate the impact of a writer.

~Taylor Hackford

But, unfortunately, sometimes that affirmation creates a sense that you deserve special treatment and recognition in areas where you're not so talented.

~Taylor Hackford

It was the era of Tab Hunter and Rock Hudson; they all had a certain look.

~Taylor Hackford

It's very clearly stated in the film: You make your own choices, and what you're always fighting is ego.

~Taylor Hackford

But a writer's contribution is literary and a film is not literary. When you take that stuff off the page, and cast the people who are going to fit into

those roles, that's what being a director is.

~Taylor Hackford

But the process of making a film is not glamorous. Certainly not my films.

~Taylor Hackford

Look at Walter Huston in *The Devil and Daniel Webster*: It's an incredible performance.

~Taylor Hackford

I also know what looks good before the camera, how to move the camera, and how to get a story on the screen.

~Taylor Hackford

It isn't glamorous until after the film is finished, and you are at the premiere and getting your picture on the cover of magazines.

~Taylor Hackford

The whole concept of the devil is a metaphor on one level.

~Taylor Hackford

I'm not in front of the camera, they are. I encourage them; I build up as much of their confidence and ego as possible. They've got to take control; I can't act it out.

~Taylor Hackford

Ray Charles, in his own way, it's like at the beginning, Ray Charles changed American music, not once but twice.

~Taylor Hackford

As a filmmaker, "no" is not in my vocabulary. I've got to figure out a way.

~Taylor Hackford

Music has always been an important thing to me in my life and understand I've worked in the music business.

~Taylor Hackford

Show business is one of those things that people can use to get themselves out of the lower rung of society.

~Taylor Hackford

The score is always the wonderful icing. The score tells you the emotional content of the film. What the characters don't say, the music can say.

~Taylor Hackford

An actor has to embody a role.

~Taylor Hackford

I feel very comfortable shooting music, and I think you can see that.

~Taylor Hackford

I really believe you can predict when someone has a great attitude, a real well of talent.

~Taylor Hackford

Russell Crowe is very difficult, but it's worth it. He's the real thing. I can tell you this. Russell Crowe was just as difficult before he was an international star as he was afterwards.

~Taylor Hackford

I try to get the best performance an actor can give.

~Taylor Hackford

We all get paid very, very well, and we have responsibilities.

~Taylor Hackford

Well I don't think I've scored my life exclusively to Ray Charles.

~Taylor Hackford

When I finish a film, I put it away and I never look at it again.

~Taylor Hackford

You'd be surprised how many movie stars still care about the work.

~Taylor Hackford

It's much easier to work with an unknown.

~Taylor Hackford

If people are worried about the size of their trailers, I kind of say their priorities are off.

~Taylor Hackford

I make films about working class people.

~Taylor Hackford

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