

# Ti West Quotes

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The hardest animal was the vulture. But the horses were great, the dog was great [in Valley of Violence]. It was really easy.

~Ti West

It's unreal. I mean, the dog backflips. It's amazing. Google Jumpy on YouTube - I had seen the dog first and I was like, "Y'all don't even know."

~Ti West

I'd been all hyped about it, I was like, "Please come," and to have that and know Tommy Nohilly is probably going like, "This is cool," it makes me feel good.

~Ti West

I've done it with all my films. I always keep an eye on the first time I show it because... I don't know. Neurosis.

~Ti West

If people don't like [my film], the ship's sailed. There's nothing I can do about that.

~Ti West

If you make just a straight scary movie, people are just - you don't know what they're thinking.

~Ti West

It's very important to me to find ways to relate the audience to the characters. This is the first thing to go in most mainstream horror films.

~Ti West

With my horror movies or with this movie [Valley of Violence], same thing. The subtext of this movie is what to take away from it. Plot is never something that's been my driving force as a filmmaker.

~Ti West

I don't go to see movies to see plots. I'm not interested in puzzles like an Agatha Christie story.

~Ti West

It is a very classic Western [Valley of Violence], and if you like Westerns, you'll like this movie, but there's a tone to it that's all its own that I think is unique and memorable.

~Ti West

[Valley of Violence] was written for James Ransone. PJ's a friend of mine, I've known him for a long time, he's always like, "Dude, when are we going to make a movie together?" I finally called him.

~Ti West

I just really like seeing mundane stuff in movies. It's realistic.

~Ti West

It's one of those things, when you look back on it, you'd go, "Oh, I could've done without that. If I could go back in time, I would do it different." That's the thing with violence in general.

~Ti West

I don't generally watch the movie [ The House Of The Devil ]. It's sort of like hearing your voice on tape.

~Ti West

I like movies that leave things in the hands of the audience.

~Ti West

It's funny, because I don't think of my films as "slow-burn." I don't even know if I was familiar with the phrase until people started labeling me with it.

~Ti West

We can't make a giant sprawling movie. We're going to make a small movie. And what we got is what I could get, performance-wise.

~Ti West

It's a combination of yes - making a movie about the characters - and then, also, budget.

~Ti West

Sometimes I look at it [Valley of Violence] and go, "How did we do that?" But it's a credit to Ethan [Hawke], he had done White Fang, so Ethan is like, "Oh God, that's right."

~Ti West

I'm not sure I understand the compulsion to label things.

~Ti West

It definitely could have been a horror story [Valley of Violence], oh my God, if the dog was impossible. So could the horses.

~Ti West

I always feel like the less you say when you're making a movie, as a director, is the best. That means everything's going great.

~Ti West

It's Ethan Hawke and John Travolta [in Valley of Violence]. It's awesome. They're awesome.

~Ti West

Typically, in Westerns, people who are in a Western feel like they're in a Western. It's almost like they know they do all these Western things.

~Ti West

It's not the plot [of Valley of Violence] - the plot is the reason to get all these things to happen, all these character moments to happen. It was

always meant to have these two perspectives.

~Ti West

Older actresses apparently have no sense of humor about being older actresses.

~Ti West

The Innkeepers were two nerds in a dead-end job and then they try to get involved and they get in over their heads, and how does it affect them? That, to me, just seems like what happens to people.

~Ti West

Of course, we talked about Westerns we like with [James Ransone in Valley of Violence] , but it was always thematically in relation to the movie and what the themes of the movie were.

~Ti West

One of my favorite scenes of the movie [Valley of Violence] is when Ethan Hawke is sitting at the campfire with the dog.

~Ti West

As filmmakers, the Western is a historic, cool thing to be a part of once in your life.

~Ti West

I found Jumpy on YouTube. I wrote a movie about a guy with a dog and was like, "What have I done? This is going to be a nightmare. We're a small movie and we're never going to be able to do this."

~Ti West

The bad guys, when they start getting picked off, they're upset that their friends died, too. But that's the thing. That's what life is. It's that weird gray area.

~Ti West

Really, I wanted to make a movie [Valley Of Violence] about: How does violence affect people? This is a take from me on how violence affects people.

~Ti West

Jumpy is the most incredible animal of all time. The movie [Valley of Violence] is the tamest example of what that dog is capable of.

~Ti West

There's nothing stopping you from making movies. You can always make and try different things.

~Ti West

You have to. But I generally try - I'll creep in the back. I'll be outside. I'll pace around. I don't really get that nervous about whether people like [my films].

~Ti West

I think having funny characters is just one way of having three-dimensional characters.

~Ti West

I do think, even though I've made these genre movies, there's what happens in the movie and then there's what the movie's about. And for me, what the movie's about is so much more interesting.

~Ti West

If you ever see the director pulling people aside, that means something's not working. Because you're trying to figure out why it's not working. But we would show up, we would talk about it.

~Ti West

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