

# Todd Phillips

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I think people like comedies and I think concept driven comedies seem to be working when it's a clear concept and you deliver funny stuff.

~Todd Phillips

Bangkok, like Las Vegas, sounds like a place where you make bad decisions.

~Todd Phillips

It's all about escapism. That's essentially what all movies are about. It's a vicarious thrill.

~Todd Phillips

Music is just one of the tools a director has with which to paint and I think it's one of the most effective.

~Todd Phillips

I really got into filmmaking through photography.

~Todd Phillips

I was taught that you didn't want to be part of the group - that it was better to do your own thing.

~Todd Phillips

To me, the script is a living, breathing organism. Comedy is something that is ever-changing and ever-flowing with the vibe and the mood of the movie.

~Todd Phillips

I just love the look of film. But I have nothing against HD.

~Todd Phillips

I think that 'Hangover II' is as funny as 'The Hangover I,' honest to God, but I think that it's a little bit darker, and the stakes are a little bit higher.

~Todd Phillips

I don't have a horror film in me just because I don't like to be scared. But I definitely have a documentary in me, and I certainly have dramas.

~Todd Phillips

My dog's a gentleman.

~Todd Phillips

When I was younger I was obsessed with 'Star 80,' and it's just a great movie - I think I saw it three times in the theater.

~Todd Phillips

Reality television hasn't killed documentaries, because there are so many great documentaries still being made, but it certainly has changed the landscape.

~Todd Phillips

I got nominated for an Academy Award(R) for writing 'Borat.'

~Todd Phillips

John Goodman's pretty dark - I love John Goodman.

~Todd Phillips

I grew up raised by my mom and my two sisters, so I never had a real male influence in my life. I never really understood heterosexual male relationships.

~Todd Phillips

When I was in NYU Film School I drove a taxi in New York for two years, I felt like I owned my own business with that little taxi.

~Todd Phillips

I'm not worried about young people seeing an opportunity and taking advantage of it.

~Todd Phillips

Every weekend in history has worked for movies if the movie connects.

~Todd Phillips

I make decisions to do movies based on the cast. I'd just been working with Zach Galifianakis on 'The Hangover', and I was thinking, I've got to find something to do with this guy immediately.

~Todd Phillips

You set the tone on the set that you want to see in the film.

~Todd Phillips

I just thinks it's interesting what it takes an actor to find their characters through the wardrobe, or the hair, or the way a character walks.

~Todd Phillips

I take it very seriously, music. I think it's one of the tools that a director has with which to kind of paint. The right music can sometimes do five pages of scripted dialogue.

~Todd Phillips

You're never nice to your friends. You're nice to people you don't like!

~Todd Phillips

It becomes pretty crystal clear once you watch that first assembly [movie cut] the things that are just grinding it to a halt, so to speak, or slowing it down, or getting in the way, yeah.

~Todd Phillips

I think a lot of American comedies tend to apologize for their bad behavior in the last 10 minutes of the movie.

~Todd Phillips

You know, if I started worrying about what the critics think, I'd never make another comedy. You couldn't pick a less funny group than critics

- you couldn't find a more bitter group of people!

~Todd Phillips

To make a movie about mayhem, sometimes you have to go to mayhem.

~Todd Phillips

All my movies, as I get the ability to do it, they tend to go a little darker, a little darker.

~Todd Phillips

How many days do you have that are just purely dramatic? How many days do you have that are just purely comedic? It's usually a combination and I think that's what real life feels like.

~Todd Phillips

I love confidence in a guy. I don't have it, but there's nothing sexier.

~Todd Phillips

Not every movie has to serve as every audience member's need for completion.

~Todd Phillips

Directors tend to be more underrated than overrated because it's a quiet job and people don't really understand it.

~Todd Phillips

My movies before tend to be just funny. But it wasn't a conscious thing I was looking for at all.

~Todd Phillips

I feel like movies when they work they'll find an audience.

~Todd Phillips

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