

W. Kamau Bell

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I think a lot of people get into stand-up to be the center of attention, which is perfectly legitimate. But I think I got in there to be heard.

~W. Kamau Bell

You might not agree with something, but it doesn't mean you don't need to listen to it. White people have to accept that they don't always know about racism.

~W. Kamau Bell

Comedy is like expensive cheese. Well, it's like cheese, in general. Everybody likes what they like, and everything they don't like, they think is the worst.

~W. Kamau Bell

I'm of the opinion that if you step on stage and you're not a straight white male, you're automatically making a political statement whether you know it or not.

~W. Kamau Bell

It doesn't do any good to just be on the side of black people. The funnier comedic position is to be on the side of oppressed people in general.

~W. Kamau Bell

I feel like you can share as many jokes as you want to because no joke you do on Twitter is ever gonna be so big on Twitter, for the most part, that you can't say it on stage that same night.

~W. Kamau Bell

If I could email my jokes to the crowd and get the same immediate response [as during stand-up], I'd do that.

~W. Kamau Bell

Some things just strike me as funny. The way things play out just

makes me laugh sometimes. It drives my wife crazy sometimes because I'll just be laughing for no reason.

~W. Kamau Bell

I'm a dad, and that's really important to me, and I realize now that I'm a dad that it's a major part of my identity.

~W. Kamau Bell

You pretty much have to be bad at it [stand-up] for several years to get good at it, so there's no avoiding embarrassing yourself.

~W. Kamau Bell

I think the need to go on stage speaks to some sort of a profound psychological deficit, but something that happened when you were a kid. Or something your parents did.

~W. Kamau Bell

That's the nature of my [stand-up] act: black man with a white baby.

~W. Kamau Bell

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