

Transcript of interview with AK approximately 11/20/09. (Posted on Youtube 11/21/09.) Interview is the day after 'the party' at which AK received news of *New Moon's* box office success.

Interview posted on Youtube by eksnead. Elizabeth Snead is a writer for Dishrag.com. Not positive that it's her doing the interview.

This interview subsequently cited in article on Examiner.com.

Interview length is 2:22.

Link to Youtube interview is

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=QuKKWTVQPDs>

ES: So when did you hear the news about the numbers?

AK: Last night, when I was at the party, one of the producers showed me on her cell phone, like the estimates, and I was like-- Jeezes.

ES: Was there a lot of screaming?

AK: Yeah, it was cool. It was really cool.

ES: And what did Taylor say?

AK: Um...I mean, he seemed really excited. It's-- you know-- I basically-- you know-- it was one of those things-- like he-- we got him on the phone and passed it off to me and I was like, 'Congratulations, man!'

ES: [Laughs] Well, that's great. Now that's exciting. And you have now two wonderful movies out. I mean, now you've got *Up in the Air*, which is not only, you know, gonna do well, but also it's getting a lot of awards buzz and a lot of attention for you. I mean, it's *pretty cool!*

AK: Yeah, it's been a good year. I'm really excited. I'm like sort of tired and really stressed, and I look at my schedule and it makes me a little sea sick. But I'm really excited, and I'm really excited to be talking about a film that I'm really proud of and that I really care about.

ES: Yeah. And of course you had an embarrassment of riches also, in that you had to work this year with Robert Pattinson *and* George Clooney.

AK: (jokingly nonchalant) Aah, they're ok. whatever. I know, everybody else is flipping out about it; I'm like, 'What's the big deal with these two? They're such punks. They're like such a pair of hooligans.'

ES: Oh my god!

ES: (laughing)

ES: That's true. Um, what was it like working with George? Your scenes together, you really, really-- you guys work great together.

AK: Thank you.

ES: A lot of chemistry.

AK: I mean honestly. I couldn't have done that if he hadn't been so generous. If he hadn't made me feel like it was ok to make fun of him off set. And, you know, it made-- it certainly made that a whole, like, going toe-to-toe with George Clooney a lot easier when he basically, you know-- gave me crap all day, every day, and I just felt like, ok, you're gonna make fun of me for being short, I'll make fun of you for being old, man.

ES: That's too funny. I love that part of the film. You go, "He's old!" And he looks in the mirror, like--

AK: Yeah.

ES: That's great.

Yeah, he's a very self-deprecating guy, and his humor is very much like that. So you do really do feel like you can kind of just poke him, and he likes it.

AK: Yeah, yeah. I think, um, it wouldn't have been nearly as fun if we hadn't made fun of each other all day.