Amr Waked reflects on Paris attacks: ‘We are far braver than terrorists’

Amr Waked is Egypt’s biggest international star, was once considered for the lead role in Mission: Impossible III and was partnered with Tom Cruise in The Last Samurai. He has also had a minor role in Star Wars Episode IV: A New Hope.

Waked, who was born in Cairo in 1977, is known for his acting skill and has appeared in several films, most of which are political. He has been a vocal advocate for peace and has even been shot at by a terrorist in 2011.

Waked is also a producer of Arab films, including political drama "Osama." He has been diagnosed with HIV and has even appeared on a talk show to discuss his condition.

Waked recently spoke to Reuters about theParis attacks and the violence in the Middle East.

Reuters: You clearly don’t think there is an easy fix. Only a fool is approaching the problem as something that can be done about the type of violence we see in the Middle East.

Waked: Impossible. It’s very difficult for me to know how to stop this. But if I could, I would.

Reuters: You mentioned the Middle East. Can you elaborate a little on that?

Waked: The Middle East needs a lot of fixing internally. The people there have tried to struggle against this environment they have been put in. They have tried to get out of it, but it has not worked. The most important thing I think is that we should become more aware of our own mistakes. We have much more knowledge, and far more bravery than people who are reaching an opportunity to kill other people who have nothing to do with any conflict whatsoever.

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Shapiro, who has successfully convinced a trial court to strike down the military’s ban on gay men, will receive the award in recognition of his work as an advocate for equality and human rights.

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