



Little Fly Theatre/Laughing Horse Free Fringe
Present:

RACHAEL'S CAFE

A World Premiere by Lucy Danser

How does Eric Laverne, a muscular, motorbike riding, Churchgoing 40 year old printer ink salesman from the Midwest with a wife and 3 children, become Rachael Jones, owner of the inimitable Rachael's Cafe in Bloomington, Indiana?

Through a blend of verbatim theatre and artistic licence, *Rachel's Cafe* explores one person's unique and moving journey as she struggles with her place in the outside world, while simultaneously trying to create *Rachel's Café*, an oasis where everyone is accepted – with no exceptions.

This daring and humorous new play delves deep into one person's understanding of and relationship with gender and sexuality, and it's implications in the wider world for himself, his family and his place in society.

'I don't want this play to be a tragedy...Life is not a tragedy. Life's an amazing adventure. It has its difficulties but... you can't stop and say 'Poor me'. The minute you start feeling sorry for yourself you're finished'

Rachael Jones

This is the first play by writer, comedy promoter and actress **Lucy Danser**. Whilst studying Acting and Playwriting at the University of Indiana, she wrote a monologue based on Rachael Jones. This was later staged at the university by Humana award-winning writer Ken Weitzman, and Lucy flew back to Indiana a year later to finish the interviews to create this full-length play.

The play has recently been workshopped in London with actor **Matthew Clancy**, a graduate of Drama Centre London and most recently seen in the world premiere of Steven Berkoff's *Biblical Tales* at the New End Theatre and Phil Wilmott's *F*cking Men* at The Arts Theatre, London. *'...superb, sexually charismatic'* Nick de Jongh, *Evening Standard*.

Listings Information

Please note that Little Fly Theatre have taken this venue over from Chatback Comedy/Rebel Action's show 'Women Just Aren't Funny'. The original show is still listed in the main Edinburgh programme.

Venue: The Aerie, Jekyll & Hyde (Venue 259)
Dates: 4-29 Aug 2011 (not 17)

Tickets: Free, Unticketed
Time: 14:00 (ends 14:50)

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