

SUSAN MURRAY



“Feisty fire-headed pocket rocket “Broadway Baby.

“Energetic, comical and charming, Susan Murray captivated the audience with her personal engagement creating the most hilarious comedy show opening in Belfast so far” Love Belfast

“Has the ability to make quirky connections allows her to build a compelling believable and richly funny picture of 21st century womanhood..Anyone who loves the work of Sarah Millican and Kerry Godliman will find plenty to enjoy here” The Guardian

Winner of the first ever Jongleurs Competition and a seasoned regular on the circuit, Susan has emerged as one of the best female stand-ups in the UK and was the first ever woman to MC Decompression gigs for the British Army / CSE. She is in the top 100 Huffington Post funny women Tweeters. Susan was short listed for the BBC’s year long comedy writing bursary. She’s wrote for and was a guest on *Jeremy Hardy Talks To The Nation* and has also starred in Stephen K Amos’ *Idiots Guide* both for Radio 4. Susan has written several solo shows to much success at the Edinburgh festival as well as performing in plays there. In 2018 she is the main support at for Britain’s Got Talent runner up Daliso Chaponda’s tour. She currently co-presenting with Ninia Benjamin on a monthly East London Radio show called You Have Been Warned.

Susan was asked to write a chapter on comedy in *“Subversive Scene- Counter Culture UK - A Celebration”* (Supernova Books) as well as her own book *The Crap Woman’s Guide To Life* (something she has been researching for many years). As well as writing for “8 Out Of Ten Cats” (Ch4) , BBC Radio 4’s *“The Now Show”*, *“Newsjack”* and *“News Quiz”* she has written and performed four solo shows; *“21st Century Fox”* (themed on the modern day phenomenon of internet dating); *‘The Glottal Stops Here’* (a show all about accents), *‘Photo Booth’* (anecdotal show about her obsession with passport photos) and *“F*ckwit Club”* (gag filled show about life’s idiots) sees Susan going from strength to strength with a more personal theme that showcases her knack for storytelling and characterisation. Her warmth and razor-sharp wit are winning over new audiences for her growing fan base.

Writing and performing for BBC Radio 1 on *'The Milk Run'* she also received a writing bursary from the BBC Northern Comedy Dept. More recently she wrote and starred in the topical web show *'Britain's Got People'* with Dave Cohen (*Have I Got News For You/ Horrible Histories*). Susan is working nationally for the majority of promoters and clubs in the UK (Loft Comedy, Dave's Comedy Club, Mirth Control, Glee Club, Funhouse Comedy, Off The Kerb etc) and works internationally; Qatar, Dubai, Abu Dhabi, China, Malaysia, Indonesia, Germany, Luxembourg, Brussels, Ireland. Her versatility means that as well as corporate gigs Susan works Biker Festivals and music festivals including Glastonbury, Bestival, The Big Chill, Reading, V, Endorse It In Dorset, Download. Acting credits include starring in the TV comedy drama *"Love, Lies and Lipstick"* for ITV, *"The Job Lot"* ITV, *"Arthur Smith Sings Leonard Cohen"* (Pleasance, Edinburgh Festival & Garrick London) and *"Itch Scratch"* at The Pleasance Theatre.

Susan is fast becoming a regular comedy writer for BBC Radio 4. At the other end of the scale she has toured the UK with Pupperty Of The Penis. She regularly contributes to various comedy podcasts and radio. She books and MCs her own Red Imp Comedy clubs in London and is the organiser of the legendary Comedian's Christmas Party. Susan is the stand up stand up teacher at City Lit.

**"Cynicism that could fell a rhino at 1000 paces. Like it."
Al Murray**

**"A feisty comedy fireball of fun"
Time Out**

**"Went on to prove that she is also one of the funniest women in Britain as she enthralled us all with her feisty
Wolverhampton wit."
100% Biker Magazine**

**"If you only go and see one comedian in Edinburgh this year, make it Susan Murray you lazy b*stard"
Jeremy Hardy**

**"She has the mentality of a spiteful 14 yr old boy! Very admirable in a young lady!"
Arthur Smith**

**"Susan Murray's baffled everywoman persona cloaks a dry, intelligent wit."
Stewart Lee**

Reviews for The Glottal Stops Here

"Susan Murray is delightful from start to finish in this well-thought out hour taking on the topic of accents: their evolution; their assumptions; their sheer hilarity...the material uniquely witty and insightful"
FEST ***

"If you know your glottal stops from your epiglottis then you'll love this show. If you don't, you'll love it just the same. Sure there's a bit of linguistics, but that's just an excuse to fill the rest of this ripping show with a wry look at life (particularly Murray's), the universe and everything....Murray works the packed audience with skill"
The Stage "Must See"

**"Mainstream success written all over her....brightly energetic, a real talent"
Edinburgh Guide.com**

Reviews for Susan Murray's Photo Booth

"interesting and funny throughout. She is a bubbly personality and very likeable to boot"

**** One4Review

"fascinating. At times touching, but most of the time humorous, this is a definite show to see if you enjoy observational comedy."

**** Three Weeks

"thoughtful, energetic show. Murray is an able and warm raconteur. The tale of a stalker manages to be simultaneously hilarious and horrific."

****The Skinny

"perky, punchy comic..compulsive listening, with a freakish visual twist" ***Fest

"It is actually hard to pick a high point of Murray's show because it is so well crafted. However, her descriptions of some of the "randoms" will leave you wiping tears from your eyes"

Light House Media Centre

CREDITS INCLUDE

TV

Green River Murder- "Psychic"- October Films 2016

The Job Lot – "Bianca" ITV / Big Talk Productions- Director Sasha Ransome 2015

BBC World News 2011 & 2014

Britain's Got People-Susan Solves & Arran Spring- Dave Cohen Prods internet 2011

Generation Sex- Princess/Channel 5 2008

Penis Envy – V1 Productions 2008

Get Me The Producer – Princess/Channel 4 TX in 2007

Britain's Favourite TV Wedding- Multi Media Arts/Channel 5, 2006

The World Stands Up – Paramount / IWM Prods Jan, 2006 Prod Ian Wilson

The Love Boom / Money Program – (authored feature) BBC2, Jan 2006 Prod Terry Messenger

Brain Candy – Baby Cow Productions / BBC3 March 2003 Dir Roger Pomfrey

Love, Life and Lipstick - 6 part comedy-drama series ITV / Carlton West, Dir Cathy Waite, July 2000.

This won Best Entertainment Program at the Royal TV Society Awards.

Net. Comedy – Carlton World, 1999

House of Fun – Meridian TV, 1998

Daily Telegraph Open Mike Awards – Channel 5/ Avalon, 1997

STAGE

Gagging For It- "Julia Clayton" -Rolling Sky Productions- Dir- Dave Bourn 2014

The God Racket- "Bealzibabe"-Nitro Theatre-Dir Paulette Randal- Birmingham Rep (rehearsed reading) 2014

Itch Scratch- Various- The Comedian's Theatre Company- Pleasance-Dir Maggie Inchley –on going

Photo Booth- The Stand, Edinburgh, Dir Leisa Rea 2011

The Glottal Stops Here- The Stand, Edinburgh, Dir Tim Arthur 2010

Vagina Monologues – Mush Mush Prods – The Station – Birmingham -Dir Grace Alexander-Jones 2009

Sit Com Trials – Leicester Square Theatre – Dir Maggie Inchley 2009

21st Century Fox – ETC Theatre, Dir Tim Arthur 2005/6

Arthur Smith Sings Leonard Cohen –Pleasance Edinburgh/Garrick Theatre, 2002

Arthur Smith's Inverleith Putting Show – Edinburgh, Dir John Dowey, 2000

FILM

Hallowind - short animation Voice of 'Madonna' 2014

The Limelight- V/O Radio Announcer- Limelight Film Co, Dir John Robson 2011

Losers Anonymous – Canned Comedy Prods, Dir Kevin W. Smith 2008

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Jc72PHkA8iw>

RADIO

You Have Been Warned- co-presenter – East London Radio

Warming Up- BBC Radio 4 Extra contributor and co-producer

Jeremy Hardy's "Speaks To The Nation"- actor- Prod

Stephen K Amos' Idiots Guide To Life- Radio 4-2014- guest performer- Prod Colin Anderson

Link <http://www.bbc.co.uk/programmes/p02128f0>

The Today Program Radio 4-2014- contributor

Comedy Club- Radio 4 Extra Prod Kerry McCarthy

Serious About Comedy – Radio 7 Prod Ed Morrish

28 Acts In 28 Minutes – stand up appearance Radio 4 2006 Prod Ed Morrish

The Milk Run – Radio 1 2004/5 writing and performing Prod Colin Anderson

Guest on BBC World Service, Fred McCauley BBC Scotland, BBC Leeds, BBC Leicester, BBC Radio 5 Live

POD CASTS

The Green Room, The Milk Bar, People With Stories.

COMISSONED WRITING CREDITS

Jeremy Hardy Speaks to the Nation

Pozzitive Productions/Radio 4

8 Out Of 10 Cats

Zeppotron/ Ch4

News Quiz

BBC Radio 4

Newsjack

BBC Radio 4

The Now Show

BBC Radio 4

The Karen Taylor Show Series 1 & 2

Avalon / BBC3

The Milk Run 2004/5

BBC Radio 1

The Sketch Show Series 2 2003

Avalon / ITV

In Crowd sketch show series 2, 3 & 4

BBC Radio 4

Mayor of Balham pilot 2003

BBC Radio 4

Love, Life and Lipstick additional material

Smith& Watson/ Carlton

AWARDS

Jongleurs New Act Competition 1998

Winner

Daily Telegraph Open Mike 1997

Finalist

LINKS TO STAND UP

Accents

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=jaDMD1jmCH8>

MCing

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=c_qVchymHJ0

Scottish Spring

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=8YgXRb-QYwQ>

Tuition Fees Solution

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=BZQ7bIXu3uA&feature=related>

Susan Solves

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=1DeB4fduZPM&feature=related>

LINK TO NEWS INTERVIEW

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=6qaovSytT_I

LINKS TO PRESENTING

21st Century Fox

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=mJhc_DWtz7c

LINKS TO ACTING

Losers Anonymous

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Jc72PHkA8iw>

