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# Harriet Kemsley: Slutty Joan



**Soho Theatre: 26<sup>th</sup> – 30<sup>th</sup> March: 8.30pm**

**Leicester Comedy Festival Best New Show 2018 - Nominee**

**Harriet Kemsley** is bringing her fourth hit solo show **Slutty Joan** to **Soho Theatre** this March and it's already been nominated for **Best New Show** at the **Leicester Comedy Festival** as well as being a **sell-out hit** at the **Edinburgh Festival Fringe**. With her unique brand of unfiltered honesty and autobiographical truths, she is taking on slut-shaming in this deeply personal new hilarious hour of stand-up.

Meet the Joans. The first Joan is considered a lady, a model citizen, a woman who you'd take home to meet your mother - she has had 2 sexual partners in her lifetime. The second Joan has had a melee of one-night stands and multiple conquests; 20 to be exact. She is thought to be less competent and emotionally stable. Taking inspiration from the Cornell University study where two fictional women named Joan were judged by female students, Harriet explores why 'slutty' Joan was judged so harshly.

If Joan wasn't fictional, her name would be Harriet Kemsley. In this bold outing, Harriet delves into her sexual history, her first male friend being Milo Yiannopoulos (seriously), teaching men what's right and wrong in the post #metoo era, how she wants a bit of that sex pest confidence and more.

Harriet asks in a world where society tries to tear women down, why are we not building each other up? This riotous and reflective show delves deep into why women are punished (and often punishing themselves) for their sexual exploits, why your sexuality isn't anyone else's business and the circumstances that led Harriet to take a long hard look at herself...

Harriet has appeared at the **Just For Laughs Festival in Montreal**, **Sky Cat Laughs** in Kilkenny, **Oslo Comedy Festival** as well as **Latitude**. The multi award-winning comic has tour supported for **Stephen Merchant**, **Doc Brown**, **Kerry Godliman**, **Stewart Francis**, **Katherine Ryan** and **Isy Suttie**.

You'll recognise Harriet from her TV appearances on **Live at the Comedy Store**, **Roast Battle** (both Comedy Central), **Doctor Foster** (BBC), **Damned**, **8 Out of 10 Cats Does Countdown** (Channel 4) and **The One Show Edinburgh Special** (BBC). She received huge critical acclaim for her Comedy Central reality sitcom **Bobby and Harriet Get Married**, which she wrote and starred in with her real-life husband.

### What the press have said about Slutty Joan:

*"Her energetic stage presence remains the same; her girlish charm and ludicrous storytelling is still at the forefront of her comedy but Kemsley's act has taken it up a notch, this year it's personal, and she's better than ever."*

★★★★★ **Deadline News**

*"Kemsley isn't so much boldly taking down slut shaming, as eviscerating the concept entirely."*

★★★★ **The List**

*"Slutty Joan is bold, funny and a must-see for anyone who identifies as a feminist"*

★★★★ **National Student**



*"One of the most rewarding shows of the Fringe"*

★★★★ The Skinny

*"This is a hilarious, emotional example of comedy that has something to say"*

★★★★ EdFestMag

*"She is an extraordinarily talented young woman with a gift for comedy and a story to tell."*

★★★★ The Scotsman

**What the press have said about Harriet Kemsley:**

*"You can feel the funny bubbling up inside her and then sort of escaping in a frequently messy, uncoordinated way....And it is joyful"*

★★★★ The Scotsman

*"The way she looks at the world is ingenious and hilarious, but unlike some comedians she doesn't share these revelations in slow reveals but unleashes them in full force."*

★★★★★ The Student

*"Kemsley is effervescent, her excitement is infectious and not once is there a silence or lull in the laughter"*

★★★★ Edinburgh Festivals Magazine

*"A quirky, refreshingly charming comedian at the dawn of her TV career"*

Radio Times

*"...an extremely likeable and increasingly accomplished comedian"*

The Wee Review

**Listings Information:**

**Dates:** 26<sup>th</sup> – 30<sup>th</sup> March 2019  
**Show:** Harriet Kemsley: Slutty Joan  
**Venue:** Soho Theatre  
**Address:** 21 Dean Street, London, W1D 3NE  
**Time:** 8.30pm  
**Price:** £11 - £15  
**Box Office:** [www.sohotheatre.com](http://www.sohotheatre.com)

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