



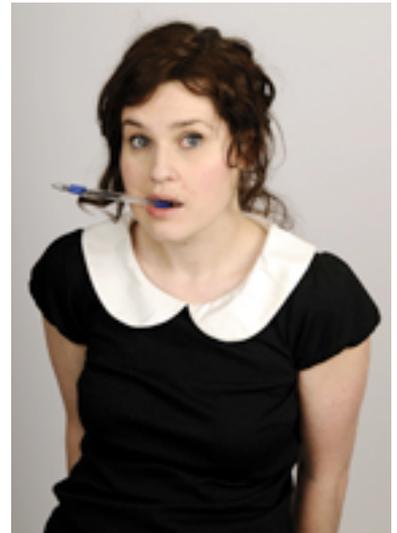
EDINBURGH FESTIVAL FRINGE 2008 – COMEDY

James Seabright for Festival Highlights presents

Zoe Gardner's Fault

Written and performed by Zoe Gardner - Directed by Hannah Mackay

New character comedy from the woman held partly responsible for *The Congress of Oddities* - but this time she's all alone, in her debut solo show.



Smirnoff Underbelly – Delhi Belly : 31 July – 24 August 5.20 pm

Zoe may be doing a solo show without a diseased twin in sight, but she isn't doing it alone. Instead, she will be talking to the audience, herself and anyone who'll listen, as a range of characters who end up talking amongst themselves, as the story linking them unfolds over this enchantingly original hour.

'A quirky and often hilarious world.' **** Edinburgh Guide on *The Congress Of Oddities*

Introducing the show is stage manager Alison, who's confident of her ability to control proceedings given an extensive experience in the amateur theatre world. Provided Alison lets her onto the stage, one featured character will be Kayley, who gives careers talks about being a care assistant, whilst actually aspiring to work as a beauty therapist. Zoe has been heard and seen in this guise on *Out To Lunch* for BBC Radio 2 and *Comedy Shuffle* on BBC3. As further characters are introduced during the show, and their interests and motives begin to collide, the question arises of exactly whose *Fault* this is...

'All hail the fantastic Congress of Oddities.' The Independent

Zoe continues to perform as Calamine and co-write for *The Congress of Oddities* alongside her 'sister' Margaret Cabourn-Smith as Victorian freak show twins Calamine & Chlamydia Lloyd-Haemorrhage. They have recently recorded a TV pilot based on their live shows for Celador Productions (*The Odditorium*). She is currently filming for series two of Katy Brand's *Big Ass Show* which will be broadcast on ITV2.

'Hilarious... infectiously daft.' The Stage on *The Congress Of Oddities*

Writer/director of *The Odditorium Plot*, Hannah Mackay directs (so it's her fault too). She co-wrote a pilot with Zoe for ITV2 in the autumn and currently has a script in development with the BBC, as well as writing on *Hotel Trubble*, a major new sitcom for CBBC. Last Edinburgh she directed *Tommy and the Weeks* and the year before, *Take-A-Break Tales*.

Sponsored by Tiger Aspect.

LISTINGS INFORMATION - Zoe Gardner's Fault

Smirnoff Underbelly. Fringe venue 61, Sub-venue: Delhi Belly 31 July - 24 August (not 13 Aug) 5.20 pm - 6.20 pm
Tickets £5 previews 31 July & 1 August, otherwise £8 - £9.50 (concessions £1 off)
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