

LIBERATED THEATRE

Presents

БАБОШКА

Written by **Kiki Kendrick** with **Julie Balloo**

*Why sacrifice your life for a pipe dream?
The sooner we accept our real selves, the stronger and more
powerful, we'll become.*



Like the Russian doll ‘babooshka’, five women – peel away the layers to reveal more than you might expect.

A chance encounter in a department store changing room provides the backdrop for this unexpected, frank, witty and thought provoking play. As the women unselfconsciously admire and criticise their mirror images we find out what a celebrity obsessed teenager, a shopaholic career gal, a disillusioned mother with cellulite, a woman trapped in a bad relationship and a mature, been there, done that,

Goddess have in common - apart from a vagina and the requisite chromosome. We follow the newly acquired relationships as they build, bust, and fuse together.

Liberated Theatre have put together an outstanding all female team – actress and producer

Kiki Kendrick has written **BABOOSHKA** with **Julie Balloo**, long-time collaborator of

Jenny Eclair and the comedy play is directed by **Caitronia McLaughlin**.

“The performance involves dimply buttocks, belly laughs, wobbly bits and some nudity” say co-writers Kiki Kendrick and Julie Balloo, “but it also explores the question, **Is media manipulation eating away at women's self-esteem?** Today women are being seen from outside in instead of from inside out. With this slow but sure erosion of women's confidence, it was important to write a play that will inspire women, particularly the next generation of women to become more in touch with their true inner-selves and men can enter the mystery of the changing room in the safe knowledge they won't have to buy anything”.

The Body Shop is sponsoring BABOOSHKA – which continues with their important domestic violence project. Kiki Kendrick was a consultant for the Body Shop and created and produced their original ‘Love Your Body’ campaign with Host Universal.

Liberated Theatre is a Host Universal company. Host produced the 5065 Lift at the Pleasance in Edinburgh Festival for the last 3 years and produced the high profile Flight 5065 in the Millennium wheel, this week as part of the ‘Make Poverty History’ campaign, in the run up to G8; starring Damon Albarn, Jo Brand, Arthur Smith, Skin and Jonzi D.

Edinburgh Fringe Festival
VENUE 33: The Hut
The Pleasance Courtyard
2.15pm 4th-29th August (except the 17th)
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