



EDINBURGH FESTIVAL FRINGE 2005  
James Seabright for Festival Highlights presents

# MoonJourney

## A MUSICAL COMEDY JOURNEY TO OUTER SPACE FEATURING PERRIER WINNER ALICE LOWE

In her first Edinburgh appearance since her 2001 Perrier award-winning performance as one third of *Garth Marengi's Netherhead*, **Alice Lowe** has created a new comedy spoofing the self-indulgences of 1970s prog-rockers, with more than a passing similarity to the work of Kate Bush.

Lowe plays Maggie Moss, an eccentric pop diva, who ill-advisedly stages her concept album *MoonJourney* aided by mime, magic, mystery and her confused collaborators. The show was performed only once, on New Year's Eve 1979, before Moss went out of fashion in the 1980s (the next day).

Alongside seasoned rocker Mike on guitar and German experimentalist Holger on keyboards, the leotarded trio stoke up the dry-ice machine to transport the audience back to the pretensions of the era: the ideology, the romance, the mysticism, the legwarmers. The show promises a musical journey "to outer space and the inner recesses of the mind".

**"Spot-on pastiche...flawlessly comic cast...excellent new writing"**

*The Times on Garth Marengi*

Directed by Cal McCrystal, who is renowned for his work with Spymonkey, Peepolykus, The Boosh and Cirque de Soleil, Alice Lowe is joined on stage by two up-and-coming comedy actors, Scott Brooksbank and Alex Constantine, with design by regular McCrystal collaborator Lucy Bradridge.

**"Alice Lowe deserves a laurel alone for her portrayal of a camel."**

Bruce Dessau, *Evening Standard*, on *Garth Marengi*

**Alice Lowe** starred in Channel 4's *Garth Marengi's Darkplace* as Liz and in BBC2's *My Life In Film* as Beth. On stage she has been seen in both *Garth Marengi* shows in Edinburgh and on national tour. Lowe is due to appear later in the year in the BBC's *The Mighty Boosh* and *Little Britain*. Her self-penned short film *Stiffy* recently premiered at Cannes.

**Cal McCrystal** is a renowned director of comedy, with Edinburgh hits such as Spymonkey's *Cooped* and *Stiff* and shows with The Boosh, Peepolykus and Kate Dimbleby to his name. He is comedy director for two Cirque de Soleil shows, *Zumanity* in Las Vegas and *Varekai* on tour in the US. He has recently turned his hand to reinventing classic plays such as *Loot* and *Kafka's Dick*, both of which sold out at Derby Playhouse. At this year's fringe he is also directing *The Bubonic Play*, *Pluck* and *Gavin & Gavin*.

MoonJourney is supported by Bwark Productions Live.

### LISTINGS

#### **MoonJourney**

Written by **Alice Lowe**. Co-Devised by **Alice Lowe**, **Al Constantine**, **Scott Brooksbank** and **Cal McCrystal**

Directed by **Cal McCrystal** Designed by **Lucy Bradridge** Composed by **Jane Watkins**

Performed by **Scott Brooksbank**, **Al Constantine** and **Alice Lowe**

At **Pleasance Courtyard (Venue 33)** 60 The Pleasance, Edinburgh EH8 9TJ (Sub-venue: Cavern)

**3-29 August 2005** (except 10 & 17 August) at **6.40pm** (1 hour) Tickets £5 - £9.50, Box Office: 0131 556 6550

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