

'Women of Letters' at the Voodoo Rooms



Smash-hit Australian literary salon Women of Letters comes to Edinburgh on 7 April 2014 for the very first time, immediately after their second critically acclaimed US tour.

On the night the letter writers will include Regi Claire, Jenny Lindsay, Rachel McCrum, Lake Montgomery, Katrina Bryan, Sian Bevan and Katharine Grant who will all read out their letters bearing the title 'A letter to my missing piece.'

Guests for the UK and Ireland dates include Katy Brand, Andy Zaltzman, Glen Duncan, Aisling Bell, Peaches Geldof, Isobel Davies, Bec Hil, Regi Claire, Jenny Lindsay, Rachel McCrum, Lake Montgomery, Katrina Bryan, Monica McInerney, Sinead Desmond.

Co-curated by writers Marieke Hardy and Michaela McGuire, the bestselling events revive the lost art of letter writing. In 2013, Women of Letters staged shows in Los Angeles, Austin, New York and Indonesia to huge acclaim.

Their international stages have included some incredible women sharing their stories – including acclaimed author Susan Orlean, Grammy award-winning musician Martha Wainwright, ukulele queen Amanda Palmer, author of *We Need to Talk About Kevin* Lionel Shriver, actress and founder of *Rookie Magazine* Tavi Gevinson, plus some highly esteemed gentlemen including author Neil Gaiman, troubadour Buck 65, musician and producer Moby, comedian Tim Minchin and many more.

The basic premise involves five or six female (or male for People of Letters) writers, performers, actors, politicians, and artists joining together to revive the lost art of letter writing. Each guest is given a topic in advance ('A letter to the night I'd rather forget' 'A letter to my unfinished business'), they write a letter and read it aloud on the night. The Australian shows have been such a literary phenomenon that three collections have been published by Penguin – the most recent released in November 2013.

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The Voodoo Rooms

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£10

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