

About the organisers

Ladyfest Cardiff has happened in cardiff in 2006 because a diverse range of mainly ladies and some men came together to do it !

preparations for the fest started out in november last year & we have met weekly since then so that we could put on an event that reflects the kind of cultural spaces in cardiff that we believe are missing...the ladyfest being our action to rectify this.

we hope that the fest will be a spring board for further action& organising in the cardiff area as the first ladyfest that happened in cardiff 2004 also was....

...its about making ourselves known to each other& expanding our sense of community & solidarity with each other, of working towards a common cause, respect, empowerment, love, joy, celebration, equality & an opportunity to resist & expel sexism, racism, homophobia and all other forms of domination that is presented as the norm of this society which has been, and continues to be, dominated by male or patriarchal values.

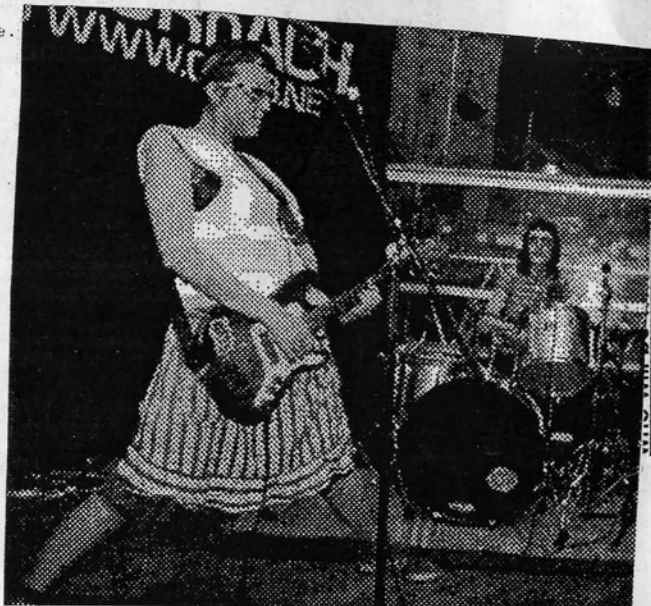
in taking the action of this festival we are standing up and saying this is not acceptable to our lives any longer....

please do stay in touch with the collective via the email address after the fest has ended...

ladyfestcardiff@iscug.net and come & help make another ladyfest happen in cardiff in the future.

big love from us

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Female spaces in culture. What do they look like what do they feel like and why do you need them?

Cos violence hatred & opposition to love people, differences, animals, the earth spirituality are not things which will make the world a nice place

the earth is at a critical stage in its history, culturally, politically

this is the time we need to turn to each other and heal

this is the time when great changes will occur

it will not be easy but it must happen

it must if people of the earth, the animals, life forces & resources are going to survive

it is the time to say there is not just one solution & we may not have all the answers now

we have feeling, we have started and intend to continue

this is the message from the feminist spaceship
this is the message we are expressing

through these continuing actions we can move far away from the compulsion to repeatedly oppress each other & ourselves

moving towards a present world built on foundations of respect, love, compassion, healing and growth

this is a special message transmitted by the feminist spaceship for ladyfest cardiff 2006

JOAN OF ARC SAYS LADYFEST IS HOT!



Sera Rabbett: Swansea based singer/ songwriter & a favourite on the welsh lady folk scene for years...

Drunk Granny: Ladyfester Debi's latest creation. Legend has it that Debi and Sam met when they worked at Tesco's, Debi on the checkouts and Sam on the yoghurts... But never fear, they escaped fluorescent lighting to form super-angst care home punk-rock Drunk Granny! Hurrah!

With the DJ Spaz attack collective & DJ Perculator playing geek femme core

Your compere, **Barbara the Gay**, is quite frankly an enigma, but will guide you through the nite's festivities with sophistication & panazz

Saturday - Chapter 7 -12

Saturday - Chapter Arts Centre, Market Road, Canton, Cardiff CF5 1QE

Bela emerson : one of the most inspiring & intoxicating artist in Britain today.
Submit to the will of her cello soundscapes & be transformed forever.

the Buzz : this London trio's set promises to be a mixture of high energy riot grrl, poppy riffs, aggressive over tones and emotive sweetness that will leave you on your knees begging for more and singing their tunes for days afterwards.

Manic Cough : all-girl offpunk rollercoaster of a band. Their songs are even better than their coordinated outfits, if that's possible. Energising and danceable with enough charisma and sex appeal to earn frontwoman Annie comparisons with Debbi Harry and Karen O

Candy Panic Attack - frankly, you should be able to tell by the name alone that these 2 girl 1 one boy trio kick some serious arse...but for the record, CPA play crunchy power pop heavily influenced by the original riot grls Huggy Bear and 90s indie faves Kenickie

Penny Broadhurst - not a band, but a spoken-word / stand up comedy genius - Penny's pissed off, shouty and providing a much needed dose of Northern humour! Penny started doing this when she was 17 and dead shy. Now she is still dead shy, but ballsy as f*ck on stage. Have you ever seen kids moshing to poetry? Believe.

Akrasi - Multimedia performance incorporating mutations of dub, breakbeat, ragga and

electronica, all topped off with a stunning voice. Been compared to Portishead, worked with Lamb, and Rough Trade love them - you'd be mad to miss it

Sunday in Callaghans 4-2am

Sunday - Callaghans Irish Bar, Castle Street, Cardiff CF10 1XD

Sofia Gradin: Bristol based Punk performance poet with visionary words for the present& future

Lou Noble: Cardiff based Lou Noble has been building up a strong local reputation and will sing her jazz inflected songs for the Ladyfest crowd.

Liz Kearton: Cabaret ukele antics& surprises

Jet Moon: delivering politicised performance art across a number of continents with sharp heels and costumes

Dirty revolution : Cardiff's very own dirty revs have been together for less than year & have produced an exciting adventure of pissed off girl ska punk with changeable rhythms...hooray!

Caroline Martin: Sultry lady with devastatingly sexy songs...

Corey Orbison: self defined sissy core from the Bristol/ London based trio with mesmerising break dancing kicks

Vile Vile Creatures - three piece post-riot grrrl hardcore band heading down from Manchester

Mary Luxembourg & the Black Bats - Portsmouth hardcore punk band featuring lots of distortion and songs about gore, girls, lost love and knives

Blizsko - female-fronted Cardiff based rock/punk/metal band

Hotpants romance - three girls! Three years! Three chords! They're from Manchester, they do anthemic pop-punk, and they wear hotpants. That's enough reasons I think.

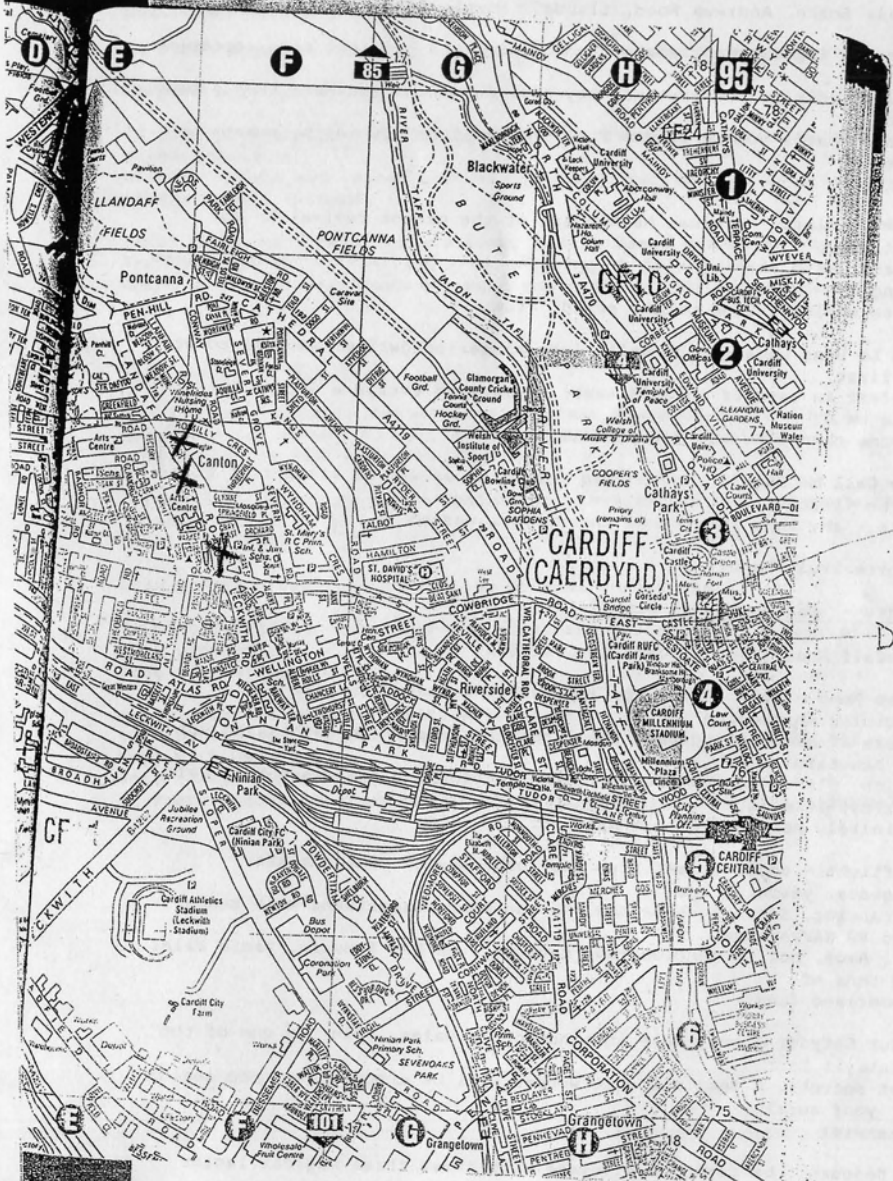
Djs

Phoenix - drum'n'bass lady DJ, regular on the Cardiff scene

Dj Napi D & MC Vocal Recall - Nina MC'ing over Chris playing drum'n' bass on the decks

Applefish - sampling sensation kicking off the dance music part of the nite with electro-trance and breakbeat

Three Ladyfest venues
are on/off Wandaff Road...
House, Chapel + Canton Labour Club



Cafe
Europe
D Callaghan

Thursday Tactile Bosch 7-11

Tactile Bosch, Andrews Road, Llandaff North, Cardiff CF14 2JP

Victorian English Gentlemens Club : cardiff's prodigal trio screaming multi
vocality. disjointed rhythms, boy-girl harmonies and more than a hint
of the
Pixies... what's not to like?! Full length album out in the summer on
Fantastic
Plastic.

The Physicists: original harbingers of the grunge revival in the
'diff, deep
screams, hard shaking riff dripping action. Or, in their words, 'like
having an
orgasm whilst eating potato salad.' Yum.

Cate Le Bon: Underground welsh lady singer-songwriter who played at
the first
ladyfest in cardiff in 2004 & mesmerised everyone within hearing
distance...a
welcome chance to see her perform again.

They Call Me Snail: London trio reminding us why we liked riot grrrl
in the first
place - any more than three chords is a waste!

Compere Truly Kaput

Friday - Canton Labour Club 7-12

Llandaff Road, Canton, Cardiff CF11 9NL

Rose Kemp - solo set by the impossibly talented 21 year old,
combining shimmering
layers of electric guitars with haunting loops, a breathtaking voice
and beautiful
lyrics. Signed to One Little Indian records and reminiscent of Jeff
Buckley, Rose is
definitely not one to be missed.

Halflight - acoustic set from the local up-and-coming stars.
Gorgeous, yearning and
entrancing, Sarah's voice has won the band comparisons with stars
like PJ Harvey and
Tori Amos, not to mention rave reviews from BBC 6 Music, Radio Wales
and tons of
mesmerised fans.

Fflur Dafydd: A veritable institution in wales, Fflur is one of the
country's best
kept secrets. A female stevie wonder will be crooning her pop genius
for your aural
pleasure!

Mz Sojourn : be taken on a voyage with these three magical ladies
from leeds,
playing in cardiff for the first time. sounds like "A big heap of
moving junk
clanging and banging together with people trapped inside" - yesssss!

Avante garde Sunday in the house 11-4

Be sure to get to the house on Llandaff Rd Sunday from Midday cos....

Leopard Leg

10 girl drum troupe from Brighton will be leading a noise workshop based around stories, beats and voices and well anything really....no experience necessary all welcome!!!

& Cello diva Bela Emerson & Berlin based dancer Anushiye Yarnell will be doing a one off performance around one o clock...not to be missed...

Café Europa Sunday 4.30 -- 9.30

Truly kaput swansea's favourite songstress plays ukele like no other, incorporating arcane humour, alchemy, the devil & ambulance wailing...so hot she's on fire...flaming

Lianne Hall: Brighton based songwriter whose keenly awaited new album 'Abandon Ship' is out on the Local Kid label.

Suzy Conrad classy songs from the Bristol songstress

Truckstop Bandits - Nic from Applefish and Sal from the Physicists' side project... acoustic antifolk duo

- Peruvian storyteller Cecilia Villegas
- Japanese storytellers Cath Little, Amanda Rackstraw and Elinor Kapp with Japanese koto (harp) player Hiroko Sue
- Poets Jacqueline Jones, Maylin Kemeny, Emma Musty and Gemma Paine

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Visual Arts Exhibition

Rosemary Aphrattos, Lizzie Atherfold, Janina Bacchetta, Hannah Biscoombe, Kelly Campbell, Holly Davey, Rebecca Day, Ellie Englefield, Nicola Goff, Yin Hau, Catherine Lewis, Gemma Paine, Marega Palser, Nathalie Talandier, Kristel Trow, Karla Williams

A multimedia exhibition by 'Lady' artists, to include painting, print-making, sculpture, textiles, photography, performance and installation. The work explores themes such as sexuality, gender, the sexual politics of philosophical discourse, women's relationship to their bodies. Work is on show at two venues simultaneously: tactileBOSCH and 'House' @ 5 Llandaff Road.

The preview evening is to be held at tactileBOSCH on 29th June, 7pm onwards: a fantastic night of art, live music, fire jugglers and the unexpected. Pirate and cowboy fancy dress.

The Ladyfest Visual Art Exhibition will continue to run concurrently at Tactile Bosch and 'House' @ 5 Llandaff Road from 30th June - 6th July, 12-4pm each day.

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- has someone sufficiently whored the event on the internet - feminist yahoo groups, not girl pages, live journal, myspace, cardiff listings, gay listings? if not, if someone gives me a working link to the flyer, I'll do it. (the links previously sent to me haven't worked.)



If men bled

Monthlies like fishing would take on their own mythologies
"I'm telling you it wasthis big",
see the clot mounted on the mantle

"Morning Reg, you look pale, on the rag mate?
fucking brill, show me how much you've lost today - that's good strong colour,
good strong smell,
good and strong and Christ you're like some fucking oil well pumping...
well done mate"

Empathy would become the law, and menstrual blood
would flow holy
not hidden, staunched, or dirty
like the flow from a girl.

Woman!

The army says Men-struation's masculine
the giving of blood and its taking,
to bathe in strength and death
at every man's core - drink a moon cup before the battle
win the war

If men bled
you could do a degree in
'getting the painters in'
that was not strictly vocational

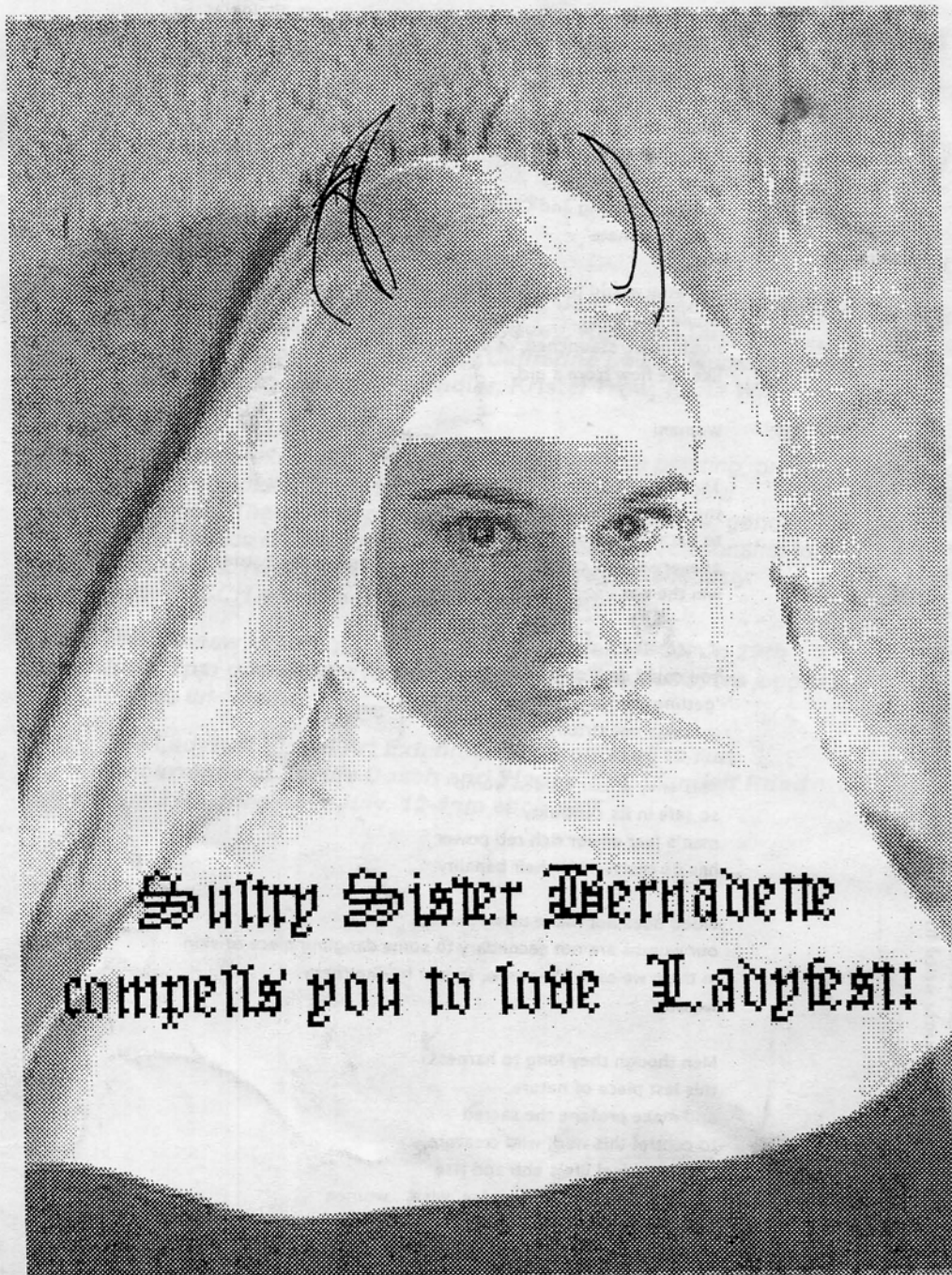
This envy of our hidden womb
so safe in its centrality
man's fear of our rich red power
has us enslaved in their banality

Blood does not make us vulnerable
our wombs are not secondary to some dangling piece of skin
in them we carry the world, in just having them
we win

Men though they long to harness
this last piece of nature,
and make profane the sacred
to control this wild, wild creature,
will never feel life's ebb and rise
like all of my wise..wise..wise..wise ...women
men can never bleed,
but we can
and do, and will

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Inspired by Gloria Steinem's *If Men Could Menstruate*
<http://www.haverford.edu/psych/ddavis/p109e/steinem.menstruate.html>



Sultry Sister Bernadette
compells you to love Ladyfest!

ALL THIS SHIT HAS BEEN
RECYCLED x