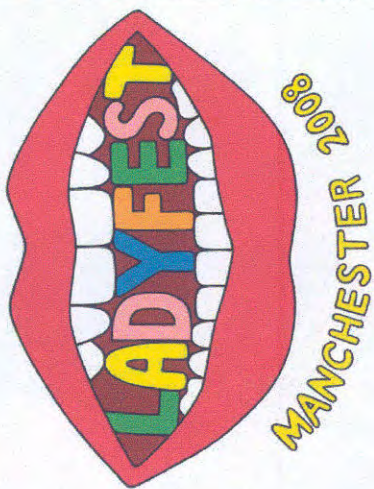


Why Ladyfest?

Take a look at all the major music festivals this year and you'll notice that women only make up a small percentage of the line-up. We want to redress the imbalance caused by the plethora of male-dominated festivals and create an event which is individual, inclusive and fun. If you want to be part of a festival with more bite, then Ladyfest Manchester 2008 is for you.

Ladyfest Manchester 2008 is a not-for-profit festival taking place at the Zion Arts Centre this November. The festival is about creating a space for female artist and musicians to be seen and heard in an environment where everybody (performers and audience members alike) can have fun and contribute to a fantastic weekend.



www.ladyfestmanchester.com

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ladyfestmanchester@yahoo.co.uk

Zion Arts
Centre,
Hulme

8007
November
7-9

What to expect:

music by

The Bobby McGees
Hotpants Romance . Kids
Love Lies . Hooker
Zombina and the Skeltones
workshops on
zine-making . self-defence .
DIY music . women in the
cultural industries

and
film . art . cabaret . dance
and much more ...

Our Aims:

- To be inclusive. We stand against sexism, racism, homophobia, transphobia, ableism and other forms of discrimination.
- To create a platform for feminist dialogue.
- To create a space for female artists to be seen and heard; we do this to counteract the marginalisation and discrimination women still face in the creative industries, not with the view of further ghettoising female talent but with the hope that one day events like Ladyfest will no longer be necessary.
- For Ladyfest Manchester to be open to the appreciation of all regardless of age, sex, gender, sexuality, race or class.
- To showcase as many aspects of female artistic endeavours as possible.

Volunteering opportunities

All welcome, no qualifications or experience necessary. Open to all genders ages 16 and over - no upper age limit applies.

We need:

Cloakroom attendants,
stewards, decorators,
hospitality personnel for
performers and musicians,
ticket takers etc.

To find out more email us on
volunteer.lfm08@yahoo.co.uk

art submissions needed!

We are also looking for female visual artists to contribute to an exciting group exhibition as part of the festival.

Artists should respond to the following theme: 'a *celebration of women in the arts*'. The festival is about diversity and aims to celebrate women in all fields of the arts, your work should therefore reflect this aim. Submissions may be existing or new art work and any media is welcomed.

Please send a maximum of 4 JPEG images and a short artist statement to:
exhibit@ladyfestmanchester.com
Deadline: 7th October 2008, 5pm.