

The Brisbane/ Sicily/ London Connection present

Oh, Lady be Good

Melissa Western (vocals), Greg Gottlieb (double bass),
Giovanni Cacioppo (guitars)

The seductive power of a woman's voice has been a mystery for eons. Why do we so eagerly succumb to their charms from the very first note? What is it about them that fills us with desire? They capture the essence of love and loss in a fleeting glance. With their audience they share something intimate, something that simply can't be described in words.

Oh, Lady Be Good is a feast of classic jazz and blues, flavoured with the music and stories of legendary sirens like Ella Fitzgerald, Billie Holiday, Sarah Vaughan, Bessie Smith, Eva Cassidy, Astrud Gilberto, Nina Simone and more. Amazing anecdotes, iconic characters, and quality music, this is intimate jazz at its best.

Songs like *I Loves You Porgy*, *God Bless the Child*, *Peel Me a Grape* and *Oh, Lady Be Good* are performed with pizzazz and flair by Australian singer-actor Melissa Western who is

'absolutely brilliant' ★★★★★ *Three Weeks*

'on fire' ★★★★★ *The Scotsman*

'We were struck by how talented Melissa Western is, she has star quality, a wonderful singing voice and a great personality.' *Village Hall Promoter, West Lindsey, Lincolnshire*

"Melissa Western is a sultry singer with an exceptional ability to scat, and her rich, powerful vocals invite the audience to accompany her on her journey." *New Adelaide Theatre Guide*

Joining Melissa onstage are two extremely sophisticated and prolific London-based musicians. Giovanni Cacioppo is a Sicilian guitarist with a flair for dynamic live performance. Hailing from Brisbane, Australia, Greg Gottlieb provides the essential groove and feel on the double bass.

Oh, Lady be Good will be performed in the 2010 'UK Jazz Venue of the Year' (Parliamentary Jazz Awards), The Jazz Bar.

Sultry, stunning, high resolution, page-filling images are available for download at www.melissawestern.com/lady.html



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Edinburgh Fringe Listing information

THE JAZZ BAR - 1a Chambers St, Edinburgh

www.thejazzbar.co.uk

Aug 22-25 14:30 (50mins) £6.00(£5.00)

Aug 26-28 14:30 (50mins) £7.00(£6.00)

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