

Social Dimensions of Health Institute Health and Wellbeing through Literature, Film & Theatre

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Thursday 4th October, 2012 5pm - 7pm

Lisa Nicoll

Playwright, director, producer and actress of Theatre & Film

presents her film

Wasteland



in

Lecture Theatre 2 Dalhousie Building University of Dundee

Followed by questions and discussion

Light refreshments will be available after this event

ALL WELCOME

For catering purposes, please confirm your attendance by 26th September to Rosanne Bell r.c.bell@dundee.ac.uk



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Lisa trained at Glasgow's RSAMD in prestigious Contemporary Theatre and then at East 15 Acting School, London where she completed an MA in Acting for TV, Radio &

As a writer, one woman play Acceptance was Lisa's first

performed play. Acceptance toured Scotland in 2008/09 and was also performed at The Edinburgh Festival Fringe. This play was used as a main Media focus in 2008 by The Scottish Government. It has also been funded and supported by various organisations including NHS Greater Glasgow Glasgow Council on Alcohol, Lothian & Borders Police. Edinburgh Action on Alcohol, Aberdeenshire, Perth, Dundee, West Lothian, Fife, Orkney, South Lanarkshire, North Lanarkshire, The Scottish Borders East Lothian Drug and Alcohol Partnerships, Alcohol Focus and The Scottish Whiskey Association, Inveralmond distillers and GINA

Since March 2011 Lisa has been writing, directing and producing short films based on research with teenagers in communities in Scotland with a focus on Health & Wellbeing. These films are written based on the research carried out and turned into short television/film dramas. The teenagers who provide the research also act in the films alongside professional actors. Completed films produced include Wasteland funded by North Lanarkshire Alcohol & Drug Partnership. A motion was passed in the Scottish parliament by John Wilson MSP in June 2012 highly commending Lisa's films.

In addition to this Lisa has been commissioned to write a short novel for teenagers, Leathered, which is going to be put on the Scottish Secondary School Curriculum in the subject of English in 2012. She also has another one woman play, Touched, funded by NHS Lothian touring Scotland. In January 2011 Lisa was commissioned by The Scottish Drug's Recovery Consortium to write a new one woman play Home Run which premiered in November 2011 and which is touring in 2012.

********** Wasteland

A Short Film Written & Directed by Lisa Nicoll Based on true stories from teenagers in Coatbridge, North Lanarkshire

Cast

Louise Ludgate, Laura Harvey and teenagers from the Coatbridge locality

> A Party May 2011..... May 2012.....

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Audience Reviews

'This film should be shown all over the UK. Fantastic acting' 'Wasteland is true to life and should be put on primetime TV' 'Thought provoking and engaging piece of film making.'

For further information visit www.lisanicoll.co.uk