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Laura Lexx: Knee Jerk

Star of *Live At The Apollo*, double winner of The Comedian's Choice Best Performer Award and now a debut author, with *Klopp Actually*, Laura Lexx resumes her debut UK tour.

December 2020 – April 2021

'The birth of a bouncy, bubbly stand-up star'

**** The Telegraph

It's been a busy lockdown for comedian **Laura Lexx** who has seen her infamous Jürgen Klopp Twitter thread (5.6 million views, 55K likes and celebrity fans including Gary Lineker, Kathy Burke, Marian Keyes and Seth Meyers) now become a book – *Klopp Actually*. If that wasn't enough, Laura has crowdsourced a novel and started a new podcast called *National Treasures!* with fellow comedian Will Duggan.

Now, it's finally time for Laura to go back to her first love – live comedy. Rescheduled dates for her reprised debut tour have been confirmed, and so, after two sell-out Edinburgh shows in two years, the star of ***Live At The Apollo*** and **double winner of The Comedian's Choice 'Best Performer Award'** is reprising her first UK tour, ***Knee Jerk***.

Knee Jerk shines a hilarious light on how hard it is to be a good person these days. The world seems eternally furious, whether that is over coronavirus, Brexit, carbon emissions, gender, plastics in the sea, nationality or whether or not we should be aiming for the future or the past. Maybe Laura is projecting, but, is all this arguing and fighting down to the fact we're absolutely terrified? In ***Knee Jerk***, Laura uses the tricks she learned to cope with her eco-anxiety to try and soothe the world's temper and calm down our various phobias.

Laura has a laugh taking on many of society's big issues – social media, mental health, climate change and conceiving - asking questions such as, can you change the world without offending anyone? Can we stop being terrified and start being nicer to each other? Can you use netball to solve the gender pay gap? Spoiler alert: come for jokes, not for answers!

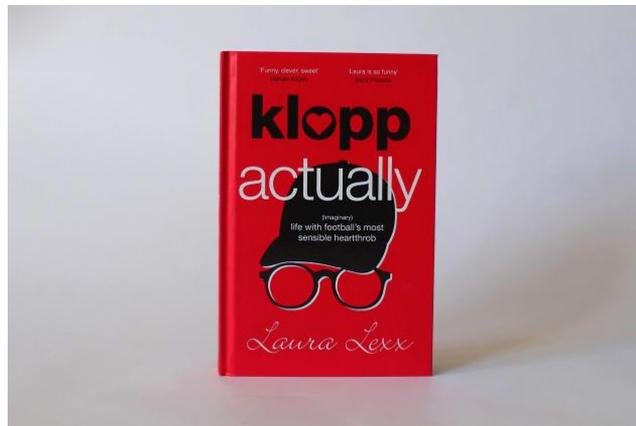
‘Real comedic steel.’

The Guardian

Laura is an award-winning comedian and writer. Her credits include *Live At The Apollo* (BBC Two), *Hypothetical* (Dave), *Roast Battle* (Comedy Central) *The Dog Ate My Homework* (CBBC), hosting *The Comedy Club* (BBC Radio 4 Extra), *The Jason Manford Show* (Absolute Radio) *The Sarah Brett Show* (BBC 5 live), Ayesha Hazarika and Mariella Frostrup’s shows on *Times Radio* and *BBC at the Edinburgh Festivals* (BBC Two), her performance on which has been viewed over three million times! Laura will be making her *Mock the Week* debut in December. Laura has also appeared on various high-profile podcasts including: *Reasons to be Cheerful*, *Evil Genius with Russell Kane*, *Richard Herring’s Leicester Square Theatre Podcast (RHLSTP)* and has now started her own, *National Treasures!*, with fellow comedian Will Duggan.

Laura has gigged at comedy clubs and festivals all over the UK and Europe and has provided tour support for **Jason Manford**, **Tim Vine** and **Russell Kane**. She has picked up a host of awards and nominations along the way, including two nominations for the **Amused Moose Best Show**, **Chortle Best Compere** nominations every year since 2016 and winning **Comic’s Comic Best MC Award** in 2017 and **Best Performer in the Comedian’s Choice Awards** in 2018 and 2019. Meanwhile, *Knee Jerk* was nominated for 2019’s **Broadway World’s Edinburgh Fringe Festival Awards**.

Among other accolades, Laura was in the **top 10 of Dave’s Funniest Jokes of the Fringe 2018** and was within the **top 30 best reviewed shows at the Edinburgh Fringe 2019**.



Laura’s literary adventure started after Kate Hewson at Two Roads acquired UK and Commonwealth rights to Laura’s imaginary diary of life married to Jürgen Klopp, *Klopp Actually*, as well as *Pivot*, a novel about an amateur women’s netball team, from Diana Beaumont at Marjacq in association with Andrew Roach Talent. *Klopp Actually* was published in hardback, eBook and audio on September 3rd, 2020, with *Pivot* expected in 2022.

Live reviews from 2019:

'Her perky energy makes it impossible not to root for her...her wonderful show-closing rant about netball is a tour-de-force that's worth the ticket price on its own.'

**** The Telegraph

**** Sunday Times

'It's classic Lexx: heavy stuff, dealt with lightly.'

**** Fest

'A must-see for all.'

**** The List

'A pocket dynamo of energy...a gem of a show.'

***** One4Review

'The jokes don't stop coming and the room is filled with roaring laughter prompted by witty one-liners and terrifying societal issues.'

***** Edinburgh Festivals Magazine

'The show is red-hot on contemporary issues and observational comedy.'

***** London Theatre1

'Someone who talks freely about her very personal issues on stage, weaves them into her comedy and makes everyone laugh, all without making anyone feel awkward.'

**** Scotsgay

'A very smart and well written show...the delivery is impeccable.'

**** Funny Women

'With a show this strong and such high demand for seats...it'll be bigger venues in future for Laura.'

**** The Sunday Post

'It takes real skill to balance a cheery demeanour and serious but well-crafted material for the full hour and Lexx achieves this with ease.'

**** Broadway World

'Lexx has an incredible knack of talking about weighty themes like the end of the world, Brexit and transphobia in an engaging and funny way.'

**** The Wee Review

'Laura Lexx is back with twice the energy and three times the sparkle.'

**** Broadway Baby

Reviews from 2018:

'The birth of a bouncy, bubbly stand-up star'

**** The Telegraph

'A masterpiece...this is a show that will leave you with all over tingles.'

***** Voice Mag

'Stupendous gags...compelling viewing.'

**** Fest

'A hilarious, tender and candid hour of comedy.'

**** Wee Review

'A truly witty and masterfully crafted show.'

**** The Peg

'This is a very candid hour in Laura Lexx's company, it's also stomach-achingly funny.'

**** Entertainment Focus

Recommended Show - British Comedy Guide

Recommended Show - Punchline

Previous reviews:

'A joy...roars of laughter.'

The Independent

'One of the most delightful performers you're ever likely to see.'

GQ

'Incredibly engaging...it's difficult to see what will stop her success.'

The Skinny

'A feelgood bonanza, oozing positivity...as a performer, she's cute, effervescent and super-personable.'

Chortle

'A charming, personable comic with a solid set of routines and twinkling manner.'

The Scotsman

'An alarmingly competent stand-up; her presence and delivery is faultless.'

The Skinny

'An hour's insight into her merry life wasn't enough... hilarious, kind-hearted and genuine comedy.'

**** Arts Award Voice

**** Edinburgh Festivals Magazine

**** TV Bomb

**** Short Com

**** one4review

Tour Listing:

Title: Laura Lexx: Knee Jerk

Dates: 6th December, 2020 - 24th April, 2021

Age: 16+

All venues will be adhering to social distancing for as long as measures apply.

Link for all tour dates: <https://lauralex.seetickets.com/tour/laura-lexx>

Please check this link for the most up-to-date booking news.

Dates for Leeds, York, Bordon, Bath, Northampton and Bristol TBC.

Tour stops, in order, are:

Tues 10th November @ 8:30pm

The Canalhouse (Nottingham Comedy Festival), Nottingham

www.ncfcomedy.co.uk / 0115 955 5060

Sun 6th December @ 8pm

Komedia Studio, Brighton

www.komedia.co.uk/brighton / 01273 647100

Fri 11th December @ 6:30pm & 9pm

The Plough Arts Centre, Great Torrington

www.theploughartscentre.org.uk / 01805 624624

Fri 15th January, 2021 @ 8pm

Pavilion Atrium, Pavilion Theatre, Worthing

<https://worthingtheatres.co.uk/> 01903 206 206

with Lauren Pattison: Party of One (Work-in-Progress).

Sat 16th January, 2021 @ 7.45pm

The Hawth, Crawley

www.parkwoodtheatres.co.uk / 01293 553636

Sat 23rd January, 2021 @ 8pm

Junction 3, Cambridge

www.junction.co.uk / 01223 511511

Sun 24th January, 2021 @ 8.30pm

The Stand Comedy Club, Newcastle

www.thestand.co.uk / 0191 300 9700

Tue 26th January, 2021 @ 8pm

Colchester Arts Centre, Colchester

www.colchesterartscentre.com / 01206 500 900

Wed 27th January, 2021 @ 8pm

Arts at the Old Fire Station, Oxford

www.oldfirestation.org.uk / 01865 263980

Thurs 28th January @ 8pm

ARC, Stockton-on-Tees

www.arconline.co.uk / 01642 525 199

Sat 30th January, 2021 @ 4.10pm

The Stand Comedy Club, Edinburgh

www.thestand.co.uk / 0131 558 7272

Sun 31st January, 2021 @ 8.30pm

The Stand Comedy Club, Glasgow

www.thestand.co.uk / 0141 212 3389

Thurs 4th February @ 8pm

The Leadmill, Sheffield

www.leadmill.co.uk / 0114 272 7040

Fri 5th February @ 8.30pm

The Glee Club, Birmingham

www.glee.co.uk / 0871 472 0400

Sat 27th February @ 8pm
Tobacco Factory, Bristol
www.tobaccofactory.com / 0117 902 0344

Friday 12th March @ 8pm
Chorley Little Theatre, Chorley
www.chorleylittletheatre.com / 01257 264 362

Saturday 24th April @ 8pm
The Studio – The Lowry, Salford
www.thelowry.com / 0843 208 6000

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