



HILS BARKER In The Wrong Place

2nd – 28th August 2006 (not 9th & 16th)

7pm (8pm)

Gilded Balloon Teviot – The Wee Room

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Hils Barker is in the wrong place. And it's not just the venue.¹ A stand-up show about the alienation we all feel at some point, whether it's in our personal life, politically, geographically or mentally. Join Hils and some fictional accomplices on a hilarious voyage of inquiry and confusion. Why are we here, and where are our drinks?

"Barker's multi-faceted humour has more teeth than the sweet smile suggests"
The List

An exciting and thought-provoking stand-up with a satirical and very silly edge, Hils Barker is now truly coming into her own both as a performer and as a writer. She has recently been seen in BBC3's new sketch show, *The Message*, which she co-wrote and is a TV spin-off from her critically acclaimed Radio 4 show, *Radio9* (described as "**peculiar yet splendid**" by no less a tome than *Heat* magazine and as "**a hoot**" by the *Independent*) which she created, wrote and performed with Johnny Daukes.

"A cynical intelligence and keen wit at work...definitely one to watch"
Chortle

She has also written for and appeared in topical TV comedy such as *The Comic Side of Seven Days* (BBC 3) and *The Late Edition* (BBC 4) – including writing for Marcus Brigstocke's monologue and appearing in her own news segment. She co-hosts her own satirical panel game show, *The Friday Night News Bonanza*, at the Arts Theatre Club in Soho. Hils was the opening act at the hugely successful *Big Value Comedy Show* at the 2004 Edinburgh Fringe

"Hilarious and quite brilliant"
Time Out

Five facts about Hils Barker:

- Hils still feels childish excitement whenever her computer writes out her name for her
- Along with many other iconic sex symbols such as Marilyn Monroe, Hils has a slight squint
- Hils was the voice of David Attenborough in the hit TV series *Planet Earth*
- We need to bring down the government.
- The name 'Hils' is short for Emily

¹ Hils Barker will actually be in the right place – The Gilded Balloon - for all her performances

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