

Press Release

**THREE FRINGE SHOWS FOR JANEY GODLEY**

**JANEY GODLEY'S BLOG-LIVE AT UNDERBELLY**

**'THE POINT OF YES' ONE WOMAN PLAY AT ASSEMBLY  
ROOMS**

**SQUARE STREET SKETCH SHOW WITH DAUGHTER  
ASHLEY STORRIE AT UNDERBELLY**

*"Honest and hilarious"* – The Independent

*"Take equal pinches of Billy Connolly and Jerry Sadowitz and you are getting some way towards the storytelling genius of Godley"* Evening Standard

Best selling author, award winning comedian and cult on-line blogger Glaswegian Janey Godley brings three shows to the 2006 Edinburgh Fringe. Her best selling book, *Handstands In The Dark*, will be also published in paperback on 3<sup>rd</sup> August 2006

**JANEY GODLEY'S BLOG-LIVE** is a brand new show based on her daily blog which appears in over 30 websites and been the subject of much media interest. Janey Godley can find humour in anything that life throws at her. Audiences can expect sixty minutes of comedy from one of the funniest and most straight-talking women in Britain. *"Some of the sharpest elbowed comedy in the world"* (New York Times). The blog is at <http://janeygodley.bravejournal.co.uk> and there is now a weekly video blog shot by her daughter Ashley - [www.janeygodley.co.uk/videos](http://www.janeygodley.co.uk/videos).

**JANEY GODLEY'S THE POINT OF YES** is a one woman two character play written and performed by Janey which was first staged at the Edinburgh Fringe in August 2003. It was also staged at the Soho Theatre in London in 2004. Set in the East End of Glasgow 1979 when, for the first time, major supplies of heroin are beginning to appear on the streets, in an area where addiction is already a way of life. In a room above a pub on the Gallowgate, a teenage girl, the young wife of the publican, faces the choice of whether to try this new form of oblivion. Over the next hour, in two monologues, Godley explores the parallel lives of the woman who says 'no', and the woman who says 'yes'. The play is now used by social work departments to highlight the dangers of drug abuse. *"Powerful... a passionate performance"* (Scotsman)

**JANEY GODLEY & ASHLEY STORRIE'S SQUARE STREET** will be one of the most keenly awaited shows of the Fringe with Janey performing sketches with her daughter Ashley Storrie. No stranger to the Fringe, Ashley made her debut in 1999 at the age of thirteen when she wrote, produced and performed her own show *What Were You Doing When You Were 13?* becoming the youngest ever stand up in the history of the Festival. She received rave reviews and was guest presenter on the Disney Channel that same year. She was also offered a chance to appear in the Jay Leno chat show on US TV but decided she preferred to go on a school trip to the Lake District. In 2003, she co-directed her mother Janey's play *The Point of Yes* at the Edinburgh Fringe and subsequently at the Soho Theatre in 2004. Janey and Ashley are writing a sketch show TV pilot.

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## NOTES TO EDITORS

Janey Godley is a stand-up comedian, writer and raconteur, born 1961 and brought up in Shettleton, in the East End of Glasgow, Scotland. Aged 18, she married into a Glasgow gangster family. Her 2005 autobiography "Handstands in the Dark" (Random House) paints a vivid picture of working class Glasgow 1961-1994. The hardback has been reprinted twice.

Janey has performed stand-up at comedy clubs all over the UK and at comedy festivals. At the 2003 Edinburgh Fringe Festival, her show "Caught in the Act of Being Myself" was hotly debated by the Perrier Comedy Award panel. It was eventually barred for consideration when it was realised she was ad-libbing the entire 60-minute show every night. She became noted for her totally unscripted 60-minute comedy shows at the Fringe. She has performed at the Fringe every year since. In June 2004, she performed at the Glastonbury Festival, after being recommended by 'father of alternative comedy' Malcolm Hardee and became the first woman ever to comper the often unruly late show in the Cabaret Marquee. In March 2006 she performed "Janey Godley - Unscripted!" to a sell-out audience at the Glasgow Comedy Festival

## FOR FURTHER INFORMATION

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## **BOOKING INFORMATION**

[www.janeygodley.co.uk/fringe2006](http://www.janeygodley.co.uk/fringe2006)

### JANEY GODLEY'S "THE POINT OF YES"

Venue: Assembly Rooms -Drawing Room  
Time: 4.20pm  
Dates: 4th-27th August  
Tickets: Aug 06-10,14-17,21-24: £10.00(9.00) Aug 11-13,18-20,25-27: £12.00(11.00)  
Preview Aug 04-05: £5.00  
Box Office: 0131 226 2428 or [www.assemblyrooms.com](http://www.assemblyrooms.com)

### JANEY GODLEY & ASHLEY STORRIE'S "SQUARE STREET"

Venue: Underbelly - Delhi Belly  
Time: 6.30pm  
Dates: 4th-27th August  
Tickets: Aug 07-10,14-17,21-24: £8.00(7.00) Aug 05-06,11-13,18-20,25-27: £9.00(8.00)  
Preview Aug 03-04: £5.00  
Box Office: 0845 745 3083 or [www.smirnoffunderbelly.co.uk](http://www.smirnoffunderbelly.co.uk)

### JANEY GODLEY'S BLOG - LIVE!

Venue: Underbelly - Belly Laugh  
Time: 8.10pm  
Dates: 4th-27th August  
Tickets: Aug 07-10,14-17,21-24: £9.50(8.00) Aug 05-06,11-13,18-20,25-27: £10.50(9.00)  
Preview Aug 03-04: £5.00  
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