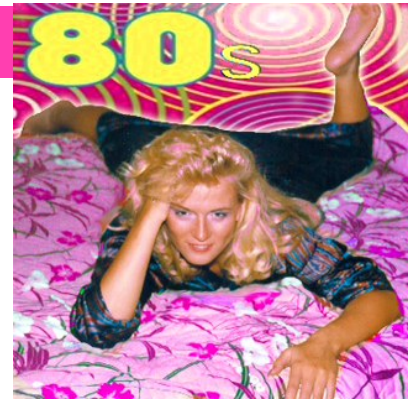


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Laura Hayden And The Edinburgh Fringe Festival Present:  
**“I Didn’t Mean To Be A Virgin In  
The 80’s!”**

*A Love Letter To The Last Innocent Decade*



Break out your Walkman, put on your leg warmers, and get ready to Wang Chung to this multimedia comedy salute to the age of neon, big hair and awkward love! After getting left at the altar Laura Hayden spent the 80’s chasing love, lust, infatuation and serious distraction — and found herself a perpetual virgin. All while the world was partying like its 1999. Painfully funny, “I Didn’t Mean To Be A Virgin In The 80’s” is *Hot Tub Time Machine* meets *The 40 Year Old Virgin*, meets *Rocky Horror Picture Show*.

Fans get to “Flashdance” and cut “Footloose” to their long time favorites while they strut their parachute pants, acid washed jeans and lace fingerless gloves during this interactive one---woman show. Laura takes us back to the time before cell phones, before computers, before Starbucks and reminisces on the terror and hilarious reality of a girl coming of age in a time when Michael Jackson was still black, Madonna had meat on her bones, and the world took its orders from Max Headroom.

Crack open a Bartles & Jaymes, dust off your spandex and come to the 2011 Edinburgh Fringe Festival in August to see “I Didn’t Mean To Be A Virgin In The 80’s!” Travel information and tickets are available online at [www.edfringe.com](http://www.edfringe.com). Booking details below.

Laura Hayden began doing comedy 10 years ago as a New Year’s resolution and people have been laughing at her ever since. “I Didn’t Mean To Be A Virgin In The 80’s!” had been percolating in her brain for years and her desire to bring it to The Edinburgh Fringe Festival was motivated by her comedy idol Eddie Izzard, who clams the Fringe Festival to be a comic’s rite of passage.

Laura has appeared in clubs, theatres, casinos and shacks all over the United States and several countries. She has performed at festivals in New York, Boston, Las Vegas, Los Angeles and Seattle. Other credits include *The Night Shift* with Kevin Ferguson, *Funny.com*, *Dead American*, LATALK radio and XM radio. Learn more about Laura by visiting [www.laurahayden.com](http://www.laurahayden.com).

The Edinburgh Festival Fringe is the largest arts festival in the world and takes place every August for three weeks in Scotland’s capital city. Held by the Festival Fringe Society, this annual gathering celebrates arts and entertainment in all forms.

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**Booking Information**

Venue: Sweet Grassmarket  
Venue dates: Aug 4-29 16:05 (50mins)  
Tickets: £8.00(£6.00)  
Box Office: 0131 243 3596 [www.sweetvenues.com](http://www.sweetvenues.com)

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