



## Virginia Gay Makes the pretty, dirty and the dirty, pretty

Singing dirty songs real pretty and pretty songs real dirty, **Virginia Gay** will deliver her cabaret show, **Dirty Pretty Songs** at the 'The Famous Spiegeltent' in the Arts Centre forecourt on Friday March 11 and Sunday March 13. Presented by **The Arts Centre**, in association with **Cre8ion**, this show will change the way you listen to music, and make you want to hear these songs again and again. Check your nanna and your prudishness at the door.

A show for those with a broad mind, Virginia takes cheerful pop tunes and gives them a depraved and sometimes filthy edge. Imagine a smutty sounding *Love You Like That* by *Guy Sebastian* or a rather suggestive *Come Said the Boy* from *Mondo Rock*.

Take any song. Take your favourite song. Take the one you had your first kiss to down by the pier. Virginia Gay is innocent, charming and incredibly filthy. Yes, filthy. She won't change the lyrics, she won't change the tune, but she'll fiddle just enough with the setting and the sounds to force you to hear the song again.

From a frighteningly beautiful *Smells Like Teen Spirit*, to a devastating rendition of Radiohead's *High And Dry*, she will break your heart and call it playtime. Do you reckon Lady Gaga's *Bad Romance* can't survive light operetta? Oh... think again. Even *Keating! The Musical* isn't immune to her wicked mind and her stave-jumping voice.

*Naughty, sexy, a little bit dirty, a little bit silly, but most of all sheer unadulterated brilliance.*  
Nathaniel Cooper, Sunshine Coast Daily.

Every song hides a secret. Part cabaret, part expose, part guerrilla stand up comedy, *Dirty Pretty Songs* is a foul-mouthed, twisted extravaganza of soul, sex and some of your favourite songs.

Virginia Gay on Virginia Gay: "Oh that's just naughty" she says.

### About Virginia Gay

Virginia Gay graduated WAAPA in 2005 then pretended to be a nurse for four years on Channel Seven's *All Saints*. Following that, she pretended to be Julia Gillard and Penny Wong for several months in the 2009 STC Wharf Revue "Pennies From Kevin". She has just started work on a new comedy/ drama for the Seven Network, *Winners and Losers* where she pretends to know a lot about high finance. This last one, particularly, is a stretch. She was in the Semi-Finals of season three of *It Takes Two*, a last minute addition to *Gentlemen Prefer Blokes* sell out Mardi Gras and Adelaide Cabaret Festival season, and hosts the Erotic Fan Fiction night at the Sydney Writers Festival. A popular appearance on Good News Week reminded her that her first great love was Cabaret, and she should get it drunk, lock herself in a room with it and see what happens. This show is her baby and has made original appearances at Trevor Ashley's *Showqueen* and *Late Night Lounge* at the Sydney Opera House.

- Virginia Gay is available for interview

**LISTING INFORMATION**

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**Venue:** The Famous Spiegeltent

**Address:** Arts Centre forecourt

**Date:** Friday 11<sup>th</sup> March, 2011

**Time:** 10.30pm

**Ticket Prices:** \$25-\$35

**Bookings:** The Arts Centre, 1300 182 183

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