

Press release – 22 April

Fun and flavoursome flamboyance as you enjoy afternoon tea at **The Drill Hall Arts Café**. Extravagantly decorated cupcakes with all the trimmings served by 1950's domestic goddesses **launching LADYFEST Edinburgh**.

'PM Tea'
Sunday 4th May, 1pm-4pm

Out of the Blue Drill Hall,
32-38 Dalmeny Street EH6 8RG

Join us for **PM Tea**, an extravagant launch event for **Ladyfest** Edinburgh. Celebrating the Domestic Goddess of the 1950's **PM Tea** takes a tongue-in-cheek look the era of Avon Ladies, Tupperware Parties and the Good Housekeeping Guide.

Fresh out of the Kitchen, our beautiful hostess and home economist **Elsbeth Murray** will lead guests through an enchanting afternoon of music, theatre, and dance. The sexy all girl trio **Raise Your Hem** will kick off with songs of twisted love, loss and mischief. **The PM Tea Ladies** respond to their domestic environment in unexpected ways and the **Bevvy Sisters** bring to musical life everything from 50's tuns to tasty chocolate cake recipes.

Enter the indoor garden party and sample our traditional afternoon tea, consisting of scones with clotted cream and strawberry conserve, extravagantly decorated cupcakes, rich chocolate truffles and buttery delicious shortbread. There will be a variety of sandwiches including classics like salmon cram cheese and egg and cress all topped off by our selection of fine quality loose leaf teas.

Venture through the gazebo and enter the relaxing atmosphere of the 1950's jazz café. Take in the surroundings featuring a photo exhibition inspired by the real lives of our fore-sisters. With the title '**Out from under the Glass**' the photos bring alive the true stories of domesticity and rebellion from participants mothers, grandmothers, aunts, sisters....

The collaboration has impassioned **Ladyfest** Edinburgh to showcase words and thoughts of some of our great 1950's role models; Diane de Prima, Janis Joplin, Helen Adam to name a few, all Beat artists in their own right who helped shape our consciousness, and with the help of **Edinburgh Feminists Network** we'll discuss the women who continue to embolden us today.

With our very own **Avon ladies** and a variety of stalls grab your best hat and join us.

PM Tea takes place at Out of the Blue Drill Hall, 36 Dalmeny Street on Sunday 4th May, from 1-4pm. Children are welcome and there will be a play room and art workshop on site. The event costs £5 and includes refreshments and Avon make-over.

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PM Tea is produced by Robyn Hambrook of Feet Theatre and presented in conjunction with the Out of the Blue Drill Hall Arts Cafe.