SUZY BENNETT

Dark humour

This 30-year-old London-based comedienne may be extensively travelled but claims she's a Devonshire lass through and through.

Up-and-coming comedienne Suzy Bennett's stand-up career is relatively new, but it's already highly successful. With 16 gigs under her belt, and the Funny Women new act award received for her seventh gig, possessed remarkable stage confidence, cracking jokes about the day-to-day troubles that come with being a woman. "Girly stuff," she calls it. "Things I know." Her career in comedy may have started rather late, but Suzy has been entertaining and amusing friends and family from the tender young age of 7, when she began doing impressions of Kenny Everett and Margaret Thatcher. Since leaving school at sixteen - citing, with deadpan wit, her discovery of cider as a reason - Suzy has tried on a whole gamut of professions for size, though really, comedienne is the one that has truly stuck. At the moment she is working full-time on Madame Tussaud's in London, where the best part of her job, as she candidly put it, is "being able to grope Johnny Depp without him running away!" Her other diverse employment ventures have included waiting on tables in the officers' mess at HMS Drake in Plymouth, a family entertainer with Thompson holidays, which included performances in Tenerife, Majorca and Lanzarote, and she has even worked as a dresser on the musical Jailhouse Rock in London back in 2004.

Suzy has also shared the stage with fellow comedieness such as Jo Brand and Jan Ravens, and joined comic Jimmy Carr as a special guest on the Plymouth leg of his Gag Reflex tour. A popular addition to the Edinburgh Festival, the busy lady has also made appearances on Richard Bacon's radio show, recorded a podcast for The Sun newspaper, and appeared in a variety of TV shows including GMTV, the One Show for the BBC and Channel 4's The Diets That Time Forgot.

This is the comie's second appearance in Cyprus, after her first at the Landa Hotel in Limassol three years ago. Her delicious Devonshire charm won the crowd over and she is now back for the hotel's popular series of events, featuring top British comedy talent from the leading promoters of Female comedy, Funny Women. Catch Suzy Bennett's hilarious performance at the Landa Hotel this Saturday 25 March. Call 25666911.