****Michelle Pearson**

**Comfort Food Cabaret & Just Desserts**

**BIO:** Michelle Pearson is a distinguished and award-winning cabaret performer, entertainer and vocalist who also doubles as a cook, caterer and events manager.

******Well known for her powerful and soulful sound, moving interpretations of songs and warmth and honesty in performance, Michelle Pearson’s voice is impressive.

Born and living in South Australia, Michelle is well known for her hit food and music sensations, Comfort Food Cabaret and Just Desserts which weave together cabaret, storytelling, live music, cooking and eating. Before cooking cabaret’s Michelle created and performed the widely acclaimed Australian rock hit, Michelle and The Gentlemen's Club at various fringe festivals and throughout regional South Australia.

Michelle regularly performs at exclusive corporate and community events as a feature artist, hosts musical dinner parties where she combines her love of cooking, cabaret with music and plays weddings and private celebrations with the Heyday Band.

**AWARDS:** Michelle’s musical cooking show, Comfort Food Cabaret, won Best Cabaret (Professional) in 2017 at the SA Theatre Guide Awards for its debut season.

Most recently, Michelle was the recipient of the Made in Adelaide Award and Best Cabaret Award (weekly) for Just Desserts through the 2019 Adelaide Fringe Festival.

**CAREER HIGHLIGHTS:** Michelle was also invited to perform Comfort Food Cabaret at Australia House in London and at three Michelin star restaurant, Geranium in Copenhagen in August 2018 after the restaurant owner attended a performance at the Adelaide Central Market in 2017. Michelle is currently planning a return season in Copenhagen at the Tivoli Gardens.

In 2018, Comfort Food Cabaret made its UK debut at the Edinburgh Festival Fringe with nine out of twelve performances sold out and received rave reviews from audiences and critics.

Comfort Food Cabaret has played sold out seasons at the 2017, 2018 & 2019 Adelaide & Melbourne Fringe Festivals.

Comfort Food Cabaret has also featured in Tasting Australia in 2018 and 2019 and the Melbourne Food and Wine Festival in 2019 and has a strong following with regular shows performed at SA wineries and food businesses like Mercato and Premium Choice.

**OTHER EXPERIENCE:** Michelle also works as a cook, caterer and event manager and has over ten years’ experience in events, public relations, promotions and arts and operations management. Michelle operates small businesses Heyday Entertainment (wedding & corporate entertainment) and the Adelaide Catering Collective. All her work combines her passions for music, cooking and memorable cultural experiences.

**REVIEWS:**

Glam Adelaide – Comfort Food Cabaret – Adelaide Fringe 2019 (5 stars)

<https://glamadelaide.com.au/fringe-review-comfort-food-cabaret-3/>

Kryztoff RAW – Comfort Food Cabaret – Adelaide Fringe 2019 (5 stars)

<http://www.kryztoff.com/RAW/?p=10955>

The Deadline News – Comfort Food Cabaret – Edinburgh Festival Fringe 2018 (5 Stars)

<http://www.deadlinenews.co.uk/2018/08/26/cabaret-comfort-cook-cabaret-is-cooking-up-a-storm-and-a-song/>

Indaily – Comfort Food Cabaret – 2018 Adelaide Fringe Festival (4 Stars)

<https://indaily.com.au/arts-and-culture/adelaide-fringe/2018/03/06/fringe-review-comfort-food-cabaret/>

Glam Adelaide – Comfort Food Cabaret – 2018 Adelaide Fringe Festival (5 Stars)

<http://www.glamadelaide.com.au/fringe-review-comfort-food-cabaret-2/>

The Upside News – Comfort Food Cabaret – 2018 Adelaide Fringe Festival (5 Stars)

<https://theupsidenews.com/2018/03/04/adelaide-fringe-review-comfort-food-cabaret-the-joinery-2018/>

The HiFi Way – Comfort Food Cabaret – 2018 Adelaide Fringe Festival (5 Stars)

<https://hifiwaythepopchronicles.com/2018/02/25/comfort-food-cabaret-exhibition-space-at-the-joinery-adelaide-24-2-2018/>

Broadway World – Comfort Food Cabaret – 2017 Melbourne Fringe (5 Stars)

<https://www.broadwayworld.com/australia-melbourne/article/BWW-Review-MICHELLE-PEARSONS-COMFORT-FOOD-CABARET-at-Melbourne-Fringe-20170915>

The Advertiser – Comfort Food Cabaret – 2017 Adelaide Fringe Festival (4 Stars)

<https://www.adelaidenow.com.au/entertainment/adelaide-fringe/cabaret/adelaide-fringe-review-2017-comfort-food-cabaret/news-story/cca5ea5a670d72e661ee01c2be27de85>

Stage Whispers – Comfort Food Cabaret - 2017 Adelaide Fringe Festival

<http://www.stagewhispers.com.au/reviews/comfort-food-cabaret>

Glam Adelaide – Comfort Food Cabaret – 2017 Adelaide Fringe Festival (4.5 Stars)

<http://www.glamadelaide.com.au/fringe-review-comfort-food-cabaret/>

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https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4rWYp7iQ55g

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