Lisa Nicoll
Playwright, director, producer and actress of Theatre & Film

will talk about her book

in

Lecture Room 4
Gateway Building
University of St Andrews

Followed by questions and discussion

**ALL WELCOME**

This event is free

To book a place or for further information please contact
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Lisa trained at Glasgow’s prestigious RSA MD in Contemporary Theatre and then at East 15 Acting School, London where she completed an MA in Acting for TV, Radio & Film.

As a writer, one woman play **Acceptance** was Lisa’s first performed play. **Acceptance** toured Scotland in 2008/09 and was also performed at The Edinburgh Festival Fringe. This play was used as a main Media focus in 2008 by the Scottish Government. It has also been funded and supported by various organisations including NHS Greater Glasgow, Glasgow Council on Alcohol, Lothian & Borders Police, Edinburgh Action on Alcohol, Angus, Aberdeenshire, Perth, Dundee, West Lothian, Fife, Orkney, South Lanarkshire, North Lanarkshire, The Scottish Borders East Lothian Drug and Alcohol Partnerships, Alcohol Focus and The Scottish Whiskey Association, Inveralmond distillers and GINA.

Since March 2011 Lisa has been writing, directing and producing short films based on research with teenagers in communities in Scotland with a focus on Health & Wellbeing. These films are written based on the research carried out and turned into short television/film dramas.

In addition to this Lisa has been commissioned to write a short novel for teenagers, **Leathered**, which is going to be put on the Scottish Secondary School Curriculum in the subject of English in 2012. She also has another one woman play, **Touched**, funded by NHS Lothian touring Scotland. In January 2011 Lisa was commissioned by The Scottish Drug’s Recovery Consortium to write a new one woman play **Home Run** which premiered in November 2011 and which is touring in 2012.

***Leathered***

**Josie is 13**
She wants a leather jacket
She will go to any lengths to get it
James is 15 and wants to be a professional footballer
He will go to any lengths to get it

James befriends fellow team mate Tom
Josie falls in love with him....

Tom lives in a dark dingy house
His Mother is no-where to be seen
His Father is always in the pub
Tom has bruises and blood on his skin

Both Josie and James lives change as they become intertwined with Tom’s world

"A really good and entertaining book"
"Leathered is real life and what is happening in Britain today"
"Exciting, interesting and enjoyable"

15 year old pupils Bathgate and St Kentigerns West Lothian

Leathered is Lisa’s first piece of fiction
The book has been piloted for feedback in St Kentigerns and Bathgate Secondary Schools in West Lothian
The book is to be launched Scotland wide for all secondary schools in 2012 with a general publication to follow

For further information visit www.lisanicoll.co.uk