

*This week...*  
**Havana Hurricane**

*We ask one of the people  
who have helped make  
Cabaret vs Cancer a success  
the same ten questions...*

**1. Who are you and what do you do?**

Howdy Folks! My names Havana Hurricane and I'm an international showgirl, burlesque performer, wrestling fanatic and everyday cowgirl!

**2. Can you list three people who are your inspiration, and why?**

- Number one would have to be my parents (they count as one right!?). They are two of the most well rounded, genuine, hard working people and I'm very grateful for the life experiences they've encouraged me to have. My parents have always taught me that the most important thing in life is happiness and to follow my dreams.  
- My second choice would have to be good ol' Dolly Parton! it's crazy how you can never have met someone but they can have a huge impact on your life. Dolly has taught me how to love myself, the importance in paying kindness forward and how to follow my dreams.  
- The third and final person (this was hard!) would have to be burlesque legend Dirty Martini. Dirty is the epitome of everything I love about this industry. An incredible talent with a warm and welcoming soul, a friendly ear. Dirty is passionate about nurturing our community and providing advice, she has the drive to teach our history and to make a mark for years to come.

**3. What would you save from your burning house?\*( people, pets, legal documents and computers are already saved!)**

Oh jeez this was tough! I would probably grab.. my laptop.. my hair and my suitcase because it would no undoubtedly be full of costumes that I've not unpacked!

**4. What's your favourite meal and what drink is it washed down with?**

This completely depends on my mood but I really really like BBQ, hot sauce and I eat A LOT of meat so anything along those lines I'm happy!

**5. What talent do you wish you had?**

I wish I could sing! That's something I would love to be good at! In my car I'm amazing... in reality not so much!

**6. Where is your favourite place?**

New Orleans, It's my spiritual home.

**7. What do you do to relax?**

I'll usually pick up my ropes and practice some trick rope moves, it's a great stress reliever. Alternatively I put my headphones in and dance away!

**8. What book do you recommend everyone reads?**

My favourite books are 'The Bell Jar', 'The Time Travelers Wife', 'Atonement' and 'Cash:The Autobiography of Johnny Cash' so all of those!

**9. What is your biggest regret?**

I know it's a cliché but I believe that everything happens for a reason. There are things I would do differently if I were to go back in time but I don't have any regrets because I wouldn't be the person I am today had they not happened.

**10. If God existed, what would you like to hear him say to you at the pearly gates?**

"Chris Hemsworth is waiting, naked and covered in cheesecake"

**Anything to plug?**

I don't think I have anything to plug... other than Leeds Burlesque? [www.leedsburlesque.co.uk](http://www.leedsburlesque.co.uk)