

## Baby Gaga a hit in clubs

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Homage to a pop star ... Lady Gaga impersonator Ammie Markus at the Supper Club.

IF IMITATION is the sincerest form of flattery, pop star **Lady Gaga** is getting hers in half doses around Sydney's nightspots.

Her fans lovingly refer to her as **Baby Gaga**, but the short-statured woman who has been winning crowds over with her impersonation of the real-life Lady Gaga is not quite as G-rated as her moniker might suggest.

She might be half the size of other pop divas but Baby Gaga packs just as much raunch and va-va-voom into her tribute shows, bumping and grinding it with the best of them.

Hitting the stage wearing her blonde wig, big black sunglasses and miniature latex costumes, Baby's homage to Lady Gaga is a spectacular hit in Sydney's nightclubs.

By day Baby Gaga goes by the name of **Ammie Markus**, holding down an ordinary job and working tirelessly with other short-statured people.

Markus has proven a popular act at the talent agency Elmac, which represents her, and while her shows might not be commanding the sort of big bucks Lady Gaga is rolling in, Baby Gaga is taking home up to \$600 a performance. "That covers costumes and pays for a minder, which is necessary given her height and things can get a bit wild at some of the parties," Elmac's manager, Alissa Bruce, explained.

Yet Markus has been enjoying the limelight for some time. Her previous act was a **Britney Spears** tribute show, while before that she worked with the children's group Barney and Friends