

# Taproot Theatre Brings Agatha Christie's *Black Coffee* to the Stage this Summer

*July 13 – August 13, 2022*

**OPENING JULY 15, 2022 8:00PM** – Run Dates July 13 – August 13, 2022 •  
Wed/Thur, 7:30 PM; Fri/Sat, 8:00 PM; Sat matinee, 2:00 PM

**SEATTLE, WA** – June 8, 2022 – Taproot Theatre Company is excited to announce its summer production, *Black Coffee* by Agatha Christie. The murder mystery, directed by Marianne Savell, opens July 15, 2022.

*The formula for a secret weapon has been stolen, and that isn't the only mystery in the Amory house! When Sir Claude discovers the theft, he locks his family in the library. Moments later there's a dead body, a room full of suspects, and a Belgian sleuth at the door. Witness the famous Hercule Poirot untangle a jumble of deceptions to discover whodunit.*

The cast includes Nathan Brockett, Justine Yu-Ping Davis, Samuel Johns, Tyler Kimmel, Claire Marx, Kim Morris, Nolan Palmer, James Schilling, Richard Nguyen Sloniker, and Michael Winters.

Tickets go on sale on May 17. Tickets will be available online at [taproottheatre.org](http://taproottheatre.org), by phone 206.781.9707 (Tue-Sat, noon-5:00 PM) or in person at 204 N 85<sup>th</sup> St. Ticket prices range from \$25-52 with discounts available for students, seniors, active military, 25 & Under and TeenTix members. Discounts are also available for groups of 8 or more by calling 206.781.9708 or by visiting [taproottheatre.org/group-sales](http://taproottheatre.org/group-sales).

## **SPECIAL DATES FOR THE AUDIENCE**

**Pay What You Can (PWYC):** July 20 at 7:30 PM; a limited number of \$10 tickets are available at noon, tickets may be purchased in person or by phone (card fees may apply). Beginning at 5:00 PM, tickets are name-your-own-price; these tickets may be purchased in person only. Limit 4 tickets per person. Seating for PWYC performances is General Admission, there is no reserved seating. If you have accessible seating needs please call the Box Office directly.

**Senior Matinees:** July 19 and 20 at 2:00 PM; Our Senior Matinee program provides anyone aged 62 and older with an affordable way to participate in live theatre in convenient daytime

performance. All ages welcome. Both performances will feature a post-play discussion, immediately following the show.

## **BLACK COFFEE FACT SHEET**

**WHAT:** Taproot Theatre Company presents *Black Coffee* by Agatha Christie. The formula for a secret weapon has been stolen, and that isn't the only mystery in the Amory house! When Sir Claude discovers the theft, he locks his family in the library. Moments later there's a dead body, a room full of suspects, and a Belgian sleuth at the door. Witness the famous Hercule Poirot untangle a jumble of deceptions to discover whodunit.

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*Dates to note:*

Previews: July 13 and 14, 7:30 PM

Opening Night: July 15, 8:00 PM

Pay What You Can: July 20, 7:30 PM

Midweek Matinees: July 19 and 20 at 2:00 PM

**WHERE:** Taproot Theatre Company's Jewell Mainstage Theatre, 204 N 85<sup>th</sup> St, Seattle, WA 98103

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**AGE RECOMMENDATION:** 12+

**PHOTOS:** Press photos are available online at <http://taproottheatre.org/for-the-press/> > Jewell Mainstage Theatre > Black Coffee. (*This link is not to be published.*)

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**Taproot Theatre Company** is a professional, non-profit theatre company with a multi-faceted production program. Founded in 1976, Taproot Theatre serves the Pacific Northwest with Jewell Mainstage Productions, Isaac Studio Theatre Productions, Touring Productions and the Acting Studio. Taproot Theatre Company tells stories of hope, serving the Pacific Northwest through live theatre and educational programs. Taproot Theatre Company is a member of Theatre Communications Group (TCG), Theatre Puget Sound (TPS) and Phinney Ridge Neighborhood Association (PNA).

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