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Taproot Theatre announces Christmas production: *Georgiana & Kitty: Christmas at Pemberley*

November 22 – December 30, 2023

OPENING NOVEMBER 24, 2023 7:30PM – Runs November 22 – December 30, 2023 •
Wed/Thur/Fri/Sat, 7:30 PM; Sat matinee, 2:00 PM

SEATTLE, WA – October 10, 2023 – Taproot Theatre is excited to announce its Christmas production, *Georgiana & Kitty: Christmas at Pemberley*, the third in a trilogy of plays inspired by Jane Austen's *Pride & Prejudice* by Lauren Gunderson and Margot Melcon. Taproot audiences previously experienced the first two plays in the trilogy, but there's no need to have seen the first two to enjoy this one! The production, directed by Karen Lund, opens November 24 and runs through December 30, 2023.

Georgiana Darcy is an accomplished pianist but wary of romance. Kitty Bennet is a bright-eyed optimist and a perfect best friend. These two younger sisters are ready for their own adventures in life and love, starting with the arrival of an admirer and secret correspondent. Meddlesome families and outmoded expectations won't stop these determined friends from forging their own way in a holiday tale filled with music, ambition, sisterhood, and forgiveness.

Karen Lund directs **Shanna Allman, Will Eames, Ays Garcia, Melanie Hampton, Kelly Karcher, Claire Marx, Brian Pucheu, Jeremy Steckler, and Annie Yim.**

Tickets to *Georgiana & Kitty: Christmas at Pemberley* are available online at taproottheatre.org, by phone at 206.781.9707 (Tue-Sat, noon-5:00 PM), or in person at 204 N 85th St. Ticket prices are as follows: Early bird pricing is for November 24-25, with tickets ranging from \$20-\$35 (this includes opening night!). Reduced pricing is for November 29 - December 2, and tickets range from \$20-\$52. Regular pricing is available for December 7-16 and 27-30, and pricing ranges from \$20-\$57. Peak pricing is for December 19-23 and ranges from \$25-62. Taproot also has discounts available for students, seniors, active military, 25 & Under, and TeenTix members. Accessible ticket prices are also available on TodayTix. Discounts are also available for groups of 8 or more by calling 206.781.9708 or by visiting taproottheatre.org/group-sales.

SPECIAL DATES FOR THE AUDIENCE

Pay What You Can (PWYC): November 22 at 7:30 PM; regular-priced tickets available in advance, \$10 tickets offered starting at noon day of show, and pay-what-you-can pricing in-person day of show.

Senior Matinees: November 28 December 13, and December 20 at 2:00 PM; Taproot's Senior Matinee program provides anyone aged 62 and older with an affordable way to participate in live theatre in a convenient daytime performance. Performance features a post-play discussion, immediately following the show.

Intergenerational Matinee: November 29 at 10:30 AM; With \$10 student/chaperone tickets, printed educational play guides, and a guided post-play discussion, our Intergenerational Matinees enhance student education, providing theatre as a tool and springboard for learning, growth and communication. Senior ticket price: \$20.

A Pemberley Prelude: December 6 at 6:16 PM; featuring carols, canapés, and confections before the performance

Cosplay & Cake: December 16 at 7:30 PM; celebrate Jane Austen's birthday with free cake before the performance. Wear your Austen-inspired finest!

GEORGIANA & KITTY: CHRISTMAS AT PEMBERLEY FACT SHEET

WHAT: Taproot Theatre Company presents *Georgiana & Kitty: Christmas at Pemberley* by Lauren Gunderson and Margot Melcon. Georgiana Darcy is an accomplished pianist but wary of romance. Kitty Bennet is a bright-eyed optimist and a perfect best friend. These two younger sisters are ready for their own adventures in life and love, starting with the arrival of an admirer and secret correspondent. Meddlesome families and outmoded expectations won't stop these determined friends from forging their own way in a holiday tale filled with music, ambition, sisterhood, and forgiveness.

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Dates to note:

PWYC Preview: November 22, 7:30 PM

Opening Night: November 24, 7:30 PM

Midweek Matinees: November 28 at 2:00 PM, November 29 at 10:30 PM, December 13 at 2:00 PM, and December 20 at 2:00 PM

WHERE: Taproot Theatre Company's Jewell Mainstage Theatre, 204 N 85th St, Seattle, WA 98103

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AGE RECOMMENDATION: 12+

CAST:

Georgiana Darcy	Claire Marx
Kitty Bennett	Ays Garcia
Elizabeth Darcy	Annie Yim
Lydia Wickham	Kelly Karcher *AEA*
Jane Bingley	Melanie Hampton
Mary	Shanna Allman
Henry	Will Eames
Thomas	Jeremy Steckler
Fitzwilliam Darcy	Brian Pucheu

UNDERSTUDIES:

Coming soon

PRODUCTION:

Director	Karen Lund
Scenic & Sound Design	Mark Lund
Costume Design	Pete Rush
Lighting Design	Tim Wratten
Stage Manager	Nik Nolen
Dialect Coach	Dimitri Woods
Dramaturg	Sonja Lowe

PHOTOS: Press photos will soon be available online at <https://taproottheatre.org/for-the-press/>
(Jewell Mainstage Theatre → *Georgiana & Kitty* (link 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).

Karen Lund, *Producing Artistic Director*
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