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MIDWINTER BREAK CAMPS ENGAGE AND ENTERTAIN

Camps from Taproot Theatre's Acting Studio run February 21-25, with sessions for Pre-K through 8th grade

SEATTLE – December 21, 2010 – Midwinter Break Camps from Taproot Theatre's Acting Studio make the school break an enriching one for your child or teen. With two age-based sessions to choose from, running from February 21 through 25, there's something for everyone from ages Pre-K to 8th grade! Improv to stage combat, Shakespeare and musical theatre—students in 2nd through 8th grade will sample from the best of what theatre has to offer in this week filled with fun and adventure. Students in Pre-K through 1st grade will exercise their creativity as they create an original performance while learning the building blocks of acting. Each session concludes with a performance on the final day of camp.

Midwinter Break Camps are part of the Acting Studio's Winter Quarter, which runs through April 5. Registration is open now. Camps are held at Taproot Theatre (204 N 85th St.) and Timberlake Church-Ballard (1460 NW 73rd St.) in Seattle. Registration is now available online, along with class descriptions, at www.taproottheatre.org, or contact Taproot's Acting Studio at (206) 529-3668 or studio@taproottheatre.org.

About Taproot Theatre Company's Acting Studio

Taproot Theatre Company's Acting Studio offers year-round classes for youth and adults taught by local theatre professionals. Budding thespians will find classes to help them develop their acting skills, while more seasoned actors can build on their knowledge and learn new techniques. 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 Mainstage Productions, Touring Productions and Acting Studio. Taproot exists to create theatre that explores the beauty and questions of life while bringing hope to our search for meaning. Taproot Theatre Company is a member of Theatre Communications Group (TCG), Theatre Puget Sound (TPS), and the Greenwood-Phinney Chamber of Commerce.

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WINTER 2011 FACT SHEET

YOUTH CLASSES

Holiday Break Camp

The spotlight is on your talented child this holiday season! End 2010 with a bang by signing your child up for Holiday Break Camp. Throughout the day, students will participate in large group activities and also be broken into smaller, age appropriate groups as well to sample from a great selection of theatre classics such as improv, acting technique, Shakespeare, musical theatre and much more in this week filled with fun and adventure. (There is no performance for this camp.)

Grades: 1st-8th | Location: Taproot Theatre Company
Monday-Friday, Dec 27-31 | 10 am-4 pm | 1 week | \$250

Drama with Your Mama

Come experience the class everyone's talking about! Drama with Your Mama pairs toddlers and their parents or caregivers in an engaging and enriching class designed to activate and encourage children's imaginations while helping them bond with their caregivers. Parents and caregivers will learn to cultivate their children's creativity with fun, exciting games and activities they can also incorporate into playtime at home. "a great parent-toddler activity... a really wonderful program" - Q13 FOX News

Ages 1-3

\$75 per 6 week session or drop in for \$15 per class

Seattle: Thursdays, Jan 13-Feb 17, 6 weeks 10-10:45 am | Location: Timberlake Church-Ballard

Shoreline: Fridays, Jan 14-Feb 18, 6 weeks 11:15 am-12 pm | Location: TBA

Dramatic Adventures

Acting is a tall order, with many skills required to create believable characters and situations, but this class breaks it all down for young actors, helping them learn each of the components of acting-words, emotions, thoughts, expressions and movement-in a fun and exciting way. With sessions for various age groups, ranging from Pre-K through third grade, each session is designed with lessons specifically targeted for your child's age. Children create their own play, which they'll perform for friends and family during the final class.

2 Sessions!!

Session 1: Grades: Pre-K & K

Session 2: Grades: 1st-3rd

Mondays, Jan 24-Feb 28 (no class the week of Feb 21-25) | 4-5:30 pm | 5 weeks | \$165

Location: TBA

Winter Showcase

Think your kid or teen has what it takes to light up the stage? Give them a taste of the professional acting experience by signing them up for Winter Showcase. Students will learn acting techniques during each class and put them into practice as they work together to put on a one-act play for friends and family. All levels welcomed; beginning students will learn the building blocks of acting while advanced students will be encouraged to stretch their acting skills and explore their range of characterization.

Grades: 4th-12th | Tuesdays, Feb 8-April 5 (no class the week of Feb 21-25) | 6–8 pm | 8 weeks | \$235
Dress Rehearsal: Monday, April 4, 6–8 pm at Taproot Theatre Company
Performance: Tuesday, April 5, 7 pm at Taproot Theatre Company
Class Location: Timberlake Church-Ballard

MIDWINTER BREAK CAMPS

Make the school break an enriching one for your child or teen by signing them up for one of our camps. With three age-based sessions to choose from, there's something for everyone from ages Pre-K to 8th grade! From improv to stage combat, Shakespeare and musical theatre, students in Session 1 will participate in large group activities and also be broken into smaller, age appropriate groups as well to sample the best of what theatre has to offer in this week filled with fun and adventure. Our youngest actors in Session 2 will exercise their creativity as they create an original performance while learning the building blocks of acting. Each session concludes with a performance on the final day of camp.

Session 1: Grades: 2nd-8th | Location: Taproot Theatre Company
Monday-Friday, Feb 21-25 | 10 am–4 pm | 1 week | \$265

Performance: Friday, Feb 25, 3 pm at Taproot Theatre Company

Session 2: Grades: Pre-K-1st | Location: Timberlake Church-Ballard

Monday-Friday, Feb 21-25 | 10 am-2 pm | 1 week | \$175

Performance: Friday, Feb 25, 1 pm at Timberlake Church-Ballard

ADULT CLASSES

Audition Master Class with Karen Lund

Get the extra edge on next year's general auditions! Veteran casting director Karen Lund will help you master the art of auditioning, from your introduction to polishing your monologue, headshot & resume, and callbacks. 10 student maximum.

Mondays, January 24-Feb 7

7:00-10:00 pm

3 weeks

\$250

Location: TBA

Actors' Workout

Keep your acting skills sharp by giving them the training and practice they deserve. Through improvisational exercises and scene work, Actors' Workout encourages beginning and advanced actors in the building and maturing of basic acting techniques. You'll take your performance to new levels while working with a Taproot teacher who will help bring out your unique talents.

Mondays, Jan 24-March 14 (no class the week of Feb 21-25) | 7–9 pm | 7 weeks | \$265

Location: Timberlake Church-Ballard