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Light Up the Night: Taproot Theatre Company's 2008 Gala

SEATTLE – May 7, 2008 – Taproot Theatre Company's fundraising gala, *Light Up the Night*, at The Triple Door on April 19 was a smashing success!

Popular TV personality Grant Goodeve served as Master of Ceremonies and a featured performer for the evening. The evening started with live jazz and a fabulous meal catered by Wild Ginger. Entertainment for the evening followed, with performances by new and familiar Taproot actors, including members of the Road Company, cast members from the upcoming musical, *Big River*, and Acting Studio students in an inventive and captivating production that highlighted the programs of Taproot Theatre. In addition, the 250 guests were treated to a premiere viewing of an original video communicating Taproot's mission and vision, past, present and future.

Taproot Theatre is thrilled to report a total of \$134,902 for the evening in donations and sponsorships, exceeding its event goal by more than \$30,000, and moving us closer to the successful completion of the Prologue Campaign, a two-year, \$2.2 million funding drive with the intention of addressing four specific goals and preparing TTC for a potential capital campaign.

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ABOUT TAPROOT THEATRE COMPANY

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

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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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