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TAPROOT THEATRE EXPANDS ACTING CLASSES IN BALLARD

SEATTLE – May 5, 2009 – Greenwood-based Taproot Theatre Company is expanding its acting classes in Ballard this summer by hosting a large number of its summer acting daycamps at Ballard Church, located just off 15th & 73rd. Taproot Theatre's Acting Studio will offer a wide variety of camps for ages 4-17 June 22-September 3, from Shakespeare and musical theatre to the art of comedy and acting for the camera.

"We're excited for this opportunity to bring more of our classes to the heart of Ballard, one of our neighboring communities," said Sara Willy, Taproot Theatre's education director. "Ballard is a rich and vibrant area, family-friendly, and the facilities at Ballard Church will allow us to easily serve them, and our students from other areas."

Taproot's camps at Ballard Church will bring extra people into the neighborhood on weekday mornings and afternoons, potentially increasing business at nearby restaurants and shops.

Twelve of Taproot Theatre's Acting Studio's 18 summer daycamps will meet at Ballard Church, located at 1460 NW 73rd St. Those include Creative Dramatics Daycamp and Creative Dramatics Jr. Daycamp, which will be offered weekly (excluding the weeks of June 29 & August 31) with different themes each session. Ballard Church is easily accessible by bus on King County Metro Transit's Route 15. Additional camps will meet at Taproot Theatre, at 204 N 85th St., accessible from several bus routes, including Route 48.

For camp descriptions and locations, visit Taproot Theatre's Acting Studio's summer camp listings at <http://taproottheatre.org/summer-2009/>. For more information or to register, e-mail the Acting Studio at studio@taproottheatre.org or call 206.529.3668.

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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