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BACK TO SCHOOL WITH TAPROOT THEATRE'S ACTING STUDIO

Fall quarter begins September 21

SEATTLE – August 11, 2009 – It's back to school time at Taproot Theatre's Acting Studio, where you're not going back to the classroom, but to the stage. The Acting Studio features classes for all ages and experience levels, for children as young as four years to adults. This fall, the Acting Studio provides opportunities for students to build their toolbox of acting skills and experience the production process from beginning to end. New this fall, students interested in musical theatre can learn from professionals in a small, intimate environment with Sing, Sing, Sing!, a class with sessions for all age groups. Plus, adults who need some brushing up on their interview and presentation skills can build confidence and learn some techniques from improv artists in Improv(e) Your Business Skills!

Fall quarter runs September 21 through December 8. Registration is open now. Classes are held at Taproot Theatre (204 N 85th St.) and Grace Fellowship Church (410 NW 62nd St.) in Seattle. Registration forms and class descriptions are available online 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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FALL 2009 FACT SHEET

YOUTH CLASSES

Dramatic Adventures – Class Code: 09CFDA

Students will let their imaginations run wild as they create their own play using drama and movement. Family and friends are invited to the final class to see the show!

Two sessions: I, ages 4-6 years; II, ages 7-9 years

Saturdays, October 3-November 7, 10-11:30 am, 6 weeks | \$195 | Class meets at GFC

Youth Actors Workout – Class Code: 09CFYW

This class encourages beginning and advanced actors in the building and maturing of basic acting skills through the use of improvisational exercises and scene work.

Ages 9-17 years | Tuesdays, October 6-November 17, 6-8 pm, 7 weeks | \$235 | Class meets at GFC

Christmas Showcase – Class Code: 09CFCS

Students are offered a fun and exciting opportunity to be in a live production. Find out what the professionals go through, from first rehearsal to final production. (No experience necessary.)

Ages 9-18 years | Tuesdays, October 13-December 8, 6-8 pm, 9 weeks | \$235 | Class meets at GFC

Dress Rehearsal: Monday, December 7, 6-8 pm at TTC

Performance: Tuesday, December 8, 7 pm at TTC

Sing, Sing, Sing! – Class Code: 09CFSS

Always wanted to learn the basics of singing for musical theatre? This introductory class is perfect for new musical theatre singers who'd like to gain skills, confidence and the building blocks of singing for the stage.

Saturdays, October 3-November 21 | Class meets at GFC

Ages 7-11: 12-12:55 pm (6 student limit), 8 weeks | \$100

Recital Rehearsal: Saturday, November 21, 11:30 am. Recital: Saturday, November 21, 12:30 pm.

Ages 12-17: 1:00-2:20 pm (5 student limit), 8 weeks | \$150

Last day of class and recital will be combined with the adult class.

Combined class: Saturday, November 21, 1:30 pm. Combined recital: Saturday, November 21, 3 pm.

ADULT CLASSES

Improv(e) Your Business Skills! – Class Code: 09CFIM

Need the confidence to nail that interview? Want to brush up your presentation skills? Improv(e) your business acumen while enhancing your storytelling skills with two of Taproot's improv greats: Kevin Brady and Rob Martin.

Ages 18 years and up | Mondays, September 21-October 26, 7-9 pm, 6 weeks | \$250 | Class meets at TTC

Adult Showcase – Class Code: 09CFAS

This is your chance for a fabulous performance opportunity. Adult actors will participate in the rehearsal process and performance of a one-act play to be presented on Taproot's stage.

Ages 18 years and up | Mondays, September 21-November 16, 7-10 pm, 9 weeks | \$360 | Class meets at GFC

Dress Rehearsal: Sunday, November 15, 7-10 pm at TTC

Performance: Monday, November 16, 7 pm at TTC

Sing, Sing, Sing! – Class Code: 09CFAM

Always wanted to learn the basics of singing for musical theatre? This introductory class is perfect for new musical theatre singers who'd like to gain skills, confidence and the building blocks of singing for the stage. Ages 18 years and up | Saturdays, October 3-November 21, 2:30-3:50 pm (5 student limit), 8 weeks | \$150 | Class meets at GFC

Last day of class and recital will be combined with the youth class.

Combined class: Saturday, November 21, 1:30-3 pm. Combined recital: Saturday, November 21, 3 pm.