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FREE PUBLIC PERFORMANCE OF *SUPER SCHOOL* BY TAPROOT THEATRE'S ROAD COMPANY

Live Theatre Week performance on October 17 at Greenwood Library

SEATTLE – September 8, 2009 – Parents and children can experience the magic of theatre—and learn how to handle bullying and violence—at a free public performance of *Super School* by Taproot Theatre's Road Company on Saturday, October 17. A Live Theatre Week Family Day event, the performance takes place at Seattle's Greenwood Library, located at 8016 Greenwood Avenue North, at 11 a.m.

Super School, by Bethany Wallace, is one of three educational touring plays the Road Company is performing at schools throughout the Pacific Northwest this school year. This event offers the rare opportunity to see it in a public setting. In *Super School*, it's back to school at Asteroid Academy, and the first rule is, no superpowers on the playground. But when Danrelle uses her invisibility powers to steal Tilly's toy and tries to get her to explode in anger, the students risk detention or even being suspended. Students' favorite superheroes from *Camp Super Friend* are back with all-new challenges and experiences. Will they use their superpowers for good or for evil? Only a visit to Asteroid Academy will tell!

Super School will teach students about problem solving, empathy, how to manage their emotions and prevent bullying. It is appropriate for elementary school students as young as kindergarten.

Taproot Theatre's Road Company performed *Camp Super Friend* at the FringeJR portion of the New York International Fringe Festival (FringeNYC) in August, and is resuming touring to schools this week.

About Taproot Theatre's Road Company

Taproot Theatre's Road Company has been touring dynamic social-issue plays to students throughout the Pacific Northwest since 1985. The Road Company reaches tens of thousands of students each year with productions that address relevant social issues and provide youth with safe steps to approach them. In addition to the touring productions, Taproot Theatre provides teachers' guides and resources to facilitate classroom discussion and increase the effectiveness of the message. The actors are also available for individual classroom visits. To book a show, contact Taproot's Director of Outreach at 206.529.3669 or touring@taproottheatre.org.

About Taproot Theatre

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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