

TAPROOT THEATRE

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TAPROOT THEATRE'S ACTING STUDIO FEATURES BRAND-NEW CLASS FOR PARENTS AND TODDLERS THIS SPRING

Drama With Your Mama, spring break camps, among exciting spring options

SEATTLE – February 8, 2010 – Brand new this spring, Taproot Theatre's Acting Studio offers Drama With Your Mama, a fun and enriching class for caregivers and their little ones. It's never too early to cultivate a child's creativity and imagination, and *Drama With Your Mama* will do just that. This class will encourage social and self-awareness while building confidence in 1-3 year olds. Spring quarter also includes scene study sessions for both kids and adults, classes that teach the building blocks of singing for musical theatre, plus spring break camps that correspond with both the Seattle and Shoreline school districts' schedules.

Spring quarter runs March 29 through May 22, with spring break camps running March 29-April 2 (Seattle) and April 19-23 (Shoreline).

Registration is open now. Classes are held at Taproot Theatre (204 N 85th St.), Ballard Church (1460 NW 73rd 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.

Taproot Theatre's Acting Studio would like to thank Grace Fellowship Church and Ballard Church for their flexibility in providing us with class locations after the fire.

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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YOUTH CLASSES

NEW! Drama with your Mama Ages 1-3 | Class Code: 10-SPDW

It's never too early to introduce children to the world of theatre! This class will engage you and your young one with creative play, movement and theatre games. The focus is on social, physical and vocal awareness, in a warm, nurturing and FUN environment! Your little one will build confidence and explore their imagination. This class is perfect for the 1-3 year-old and their caregiver. Dressing up and silliness is welcome!

Please check our website for dates and locations.

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

Youth Scene Study Ages 9-17 | Class Code: 10-SPYSS

This is a class for young actors who wish to deepen their understanding of the craft of acting. Using scene work, students will explore character, subtext, relationship and environment.

Tuesdays, March 30-May 18 | 6-8 pm | 7 wks (No class on April 20)

Tuition: \$235

Dramatic Adventures Ages 4-9 | Class Code: 10-SPDA

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!

Saturdays, April 17-May 22 | 10-11:30 am | 6 wks

Tuition: \$195

Sing, Sing, Sing! Ages 7-11 & 12-17 | Class Code: 10-SPSNG

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

Ages 7-11 (6 student limit)

Saturdays, April 3-May 22 | 12-12:55 pm | 8 wks

Tuition: \$100

Recital rehearsal: Sat, May 22, 11:30 am | Recital: Sat, May 22, 12:30 pm

Ages 12-17 (5 student limit)

Saturdays, April 3-May 22 | 1-2:20 pm | 8 wks

Tuition: \$150

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

Combined class: Sat, May 22, 1:30 pm | Combined recital: Sat, May 22, 3 pm

SPRING BREAK CAMPS

Spring Break Camp 1 (Seattle Public Schools) Ages 7-18

SESSION I: **Ages 7-11 years**

CLASS CODE: 10-SPBC I

SESSION II: **Ages 12-18 years**

CLASS CODE: 10-SPBC II

DATES: Monday-Friday, March 29-April 2

TIME: 10 am-4 pm; 1 week

PRICE: \$265

DESCRIPTION: Students will sample a buffet of acting techniques such as improv, stage combat, Shakespeare and musical theatre in this one-week adventure! Parents will enjoy a presentation on the final day of camp.

Performance: Friday, April 2, 3 pm

SESSION III: **Ages 4-6 years**

CLASS CODE: 10-SPBC III

DATES: Monday-Friday, March 29-April 2

TIME: 10 am-2 pm; 1 week

PRICE: \$175

DESCRIPTION: Especially for our youngest Actors! Students ages 4-6 will create an original performance while learning the building blocks of acting.

Performance: Friday, April 2, 1 pm

Spring Break Camp 2 (Shoreline Schools) Ages 7-18

SESSION I: **Ages 7-11 years**

CLASS CODE: 10-SPBC2 I

SESSION II: **Ages 12-18 years**

CLASS CODE: 10-SPBC2 II

DATES: Monday-Friday, April 19-23

TIME: 10 am-4 pm; 1 week

PRICE: \$265

DESCRIPTION: Students will sample a buffet of acting techniques such as improv, stage combat, Shakespeare and musical theatre in this one-week adventure! Parents will enjoy a presentation on the final day of camp.

Performance: Friday, April 23, 3 pm

SESSION III: **Ages 4-6 years**

CLASS CODE: 10-SPBC2 III

DATES: Monday-Friday, April 19-23

TIME: 10 am-2 pm; 1 week

PRICE: \$175

DESCRIPTION: Especially for our youngest Actors! Students ages 4-6 will create an original performance while learning the building blocks of acting.

Performance: Friday, April 23, 1 pm

ADULT CLASSES

Intermediate Scene Study Ages 18 years and up | Class Code: 10-SPSS

This in-depth class is for adult actors who wish to deepen their understanding of the craft of acting.

Using scene work, we will explore character, subtext, relationship and environment as we intensify our exploration of the actor's process.

Monday, April 5-May 24 | 7-10 pm | 8 wks

Tuition: \$265

Sing, Sing, Sing! Ages 18 years and up | Class Code: 10-SPASN

Always wanted to learn the basics of singing for musical theatre? This introductory class is perfect for the new musical theatre singer who'd like to gain skills, confidence and the building blocks of singing for the stage. (5 student limit)

Saturdays, April 3-May 22 | 2:30-3:50 pm | 8 wks

Tuition: \$150

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

Combined class: Sat, May 22, 1:30 pm | Combined recital: Sat, May 22, 3 pm