

# TAPROOT THEATRE

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## **TAPROOT IMPROV COMEDY RETURNS TO THE MAINSTAGE THIS SPRING**

### **It's hilarity times two on Fridays with Taproot Improv Comedy & *Charley's Aunt!***

SEATTLE – April 16, 2010 – Audiences will burst their corsets and ascots with laughter this spring as Late Night at Taproot brings Taproot Improv Comedy back to the Mainstage. Building on the hilarity of the Victorian farce *Charley's Aunt* running May 12 through June 12, Taproot's rollicking, uproarious improv team hits the stage every Friday night with their best material. Of course, it's not written yet, because the audience supplies the ideas! With split-second timing and talent galore, audiences are bound to have a good time. Taproot Improv Comedy takes place on May 21 and 28 and June 4 and 11, at approximately 10:30 p.m., or shortly after the performance of *Charley's Aunt* ends.

Tickets are just \$10, or \$8 with a ticket to *Charley's Aunt*. Group pricing is available for parties of 8 or more. Tickets are available at the door only, no advance sales.

#### **About *Charley's Aunt*:**

Taproot Theatre continues its 34<sup>th</sup> season with Brandon Thomas' classic hit, *Charley's Aunt*, May 14 through June 12 (previews May 12 and 13). Debuting in London in 1892, *Charley's Aunt's* original production ran 1,466 performances. The story has since been the subject of multiple film and stage adaptations. A quiet afternoon luncheon turns into a hilarious masquerade when college chums attempt to woo a pair of charming young ladies. After persuading a classmate to impersonate their missing aunt (and chaperone), mischief, high jinks and shenanigans ensue.

#### **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 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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