

# TAPROOT THEATRE



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## **TAPROOT THEATRE'S ACTING STUDIO KEEPS GREENWOOD HOPPIN' THIS SUMMER**

### **Acting camps and performance opportunities every week**

SEATTLE – March 22, 2010 – There's something going on every week this summer with Taproot Theatre's Acting Studio. From musical theatre to Shakespeare, acting for the camera and the art of comedy, summer quarter features nearly three dozen camps for kids and teens ages 4-17. Plus, the Acting Studio introduces the all-new Audition!, a one-week course that will take students through the audition process from start to finish, and will send them home with a professional resume, headshot and monologue. Summer quarter runs from June 21 through September 2.

Registration is open now. Classes are held at Taproot Theatre (204 N 85<sup>th</sup> St.), Ballard Church (1460 NW 73<sup>rd</sup> St.) and Grace Fellowship Church (410 NW 62nd St.) in Seattle. Registration forms and camp descriptions are available online at [www.taproottheatre.org](http://www.taproottheatre.org), or contact Taproot's Acting Studio at (206) 529-3668 or [studio@taproottheatre.org](mailto: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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## SUMMER 2010 FACT SHEET

### **Creative Dramatics Daycamp**

Who knew learning could be so much fun? Through dramatization and creative play, your young performer will get a wonderful introduction to the art of acting, along with developing interpersonal skills and exercising their imagination. Students will have a great time creating an original play to perform for family and friends on the final day of camp.

1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> grades

Offered weekly\*

Monday-Friday-1 week

10 am-2 pm

\$185

Performance: Last day of camp, 1 pm

*Location TBA*

\*Offered weekly. Please denote which week(s) you'd like when you register.

### **Creative Dramatics Jr Daycamp**

This class offers your young one a great introduction to drama and is a guaranteed imagination builder. Students will have a great time cultivating their creativity and working together to create a presentation that shows off everything they've learned in camp.

Pre-K and kindergarten

Monday-Friday- 1 week

10 am-2 pm

\$185

Performance: Last day of camp, 1 pm

*Location TBA*

\*Offered weekly. Please denote which week(s) you'd like when you register.

**Session 1** June 21-25

**Session 2** June 28-July 2

**Session 3** July 12-16

**Session 4** July 19-23

**Session 5** July 26-30

**Session 6** August 2-6

**Session 7** August 9-13

**Session 8** August 16-20

**Session 9** August 23-27

**\*Excluding the week of July 5**

### **Musical Theatre Review 1 and 2**

A perfect introduction to musical theater! Your young actor will sing, dance and act during this week of theatrical fun and friendship, then put all their new skills together in a performance on the final day of camp. Each week will have a different, exciting theme.

3<sup>rd</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grades

Session 1- Monday-Friday, June 21-25- 1 week, Performance: June 25, 3 pm

Session 2- Monday-Friday, June 28-July 2- 1 week, Performance: July 2, 3 pm

10 am-4 pm

\$310

*Class meets at TTC*

### **Mini Camp 1 and 2**

Wondering what to do with your talented kids during these short holiday weeks? Mini Camp will delight and entertain. Your student will sample skills such as improv, stage combat, Shakespeare and more!

Pre-K through 12<sup>th</sup> grade (students will be broken up into age-appropriate groups)

Session 1-Tuesday-Friday, July 6-July 9- 1 week

Session 2-Monday-Thursday, August 30-September 2- 1 week

10 am-4 pm

4 days

\$210

*Location TBA*

### **The Art of Comedy - For Teens**

Make 'em laugh! This camp explores the basics of comedic acting, from improv to slapstick and pratfalls. This rousing one-week camp will help develop your teenage actor's comedic timing. Family and friends are invited for a showcase of students' talents on the final day of class.

7<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grades

Monday-Friday, July 6-9 – 4 days

10 am-4 pm

\$250

Showcase: July 9, 3 pm

*Location TBA*

### **Shakespeare Daycamp**

All the world's a stage, and the Bard is still one of the greatest storytellers to ever tread its boards. Students will get to know Shakespeare and his plays, then perform a shortened version of one of his great comedies.

3<sup>rd</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grades

Monday-Friday, July 12-16- 1 week

10 am-4 pm

\$285

Performance: July 16, 3 pm

*Class meets at TTC*

### **Acting for the Camera - For Teens**

Expand your teenage star's acting skills with a camp that teaches the basics of acting in front of a camera. Students will explore the wide world of TV and film acting using new techniques to bridge the transition from stage to screen.

7<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grades

Monday-Friday, July 12-16- 1 week

10 am-4 pm

\$310

**Pre-requisite: Previous acting experience**

*Location TBA*

### **Youth Summer Showcase**

The acting bug? Check. Teamwork? Check. Determination? Check. Students will put it all together as they work with one another to rehearse and perform a challenging theatrical production in just one week!

3<sup>rd</sup>-6<sup>th</sup> grades

Monday-Friday, July 19-23- 1 week

10 am-4 pm

\$285

Performance: July 23, 3 pm

*Class meets at TTC*

### **Musical Theatre Supercamp**

This two-week intensive will dive deeply into the singing, dancing and acting techniques needed for musical theatre performance. Not for the faint of heart, this class will be a challenge to even the most experienced young actors. Each student will go through an audition process and be cast in a Broadway-style musical, creating an experience they will never forget.

3<sup>rd</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grades

Monday-Friday, July 19-31- 2 weeks

10 am-4 pm

\$510

Performances: July 30, 3 pm, and July 31, 10 am

**Pre-requisite: TTC Showcase class or an audition**

*Location TBA*

### **Shakespeare Supercamp**

Brush up your Shakespeare—this class will challenge even the most experienced young actors! Culminating in a shortened version of one of Shakespeare's great plays, this two-week intensive will dive even more deeply into the voice, movement and acting techniques needed for Shakespearean performance.

3<sup>rd</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grades

Monday-Friday, July 26-August 7 – 2 weeks

10 am-4 pm

\$475

Performances: August 6, 3 pm and August 7, 10 am

**Pre-requisite: TTC Showcase or Daycamp**

*Location TBA*

### **Acting for the Camera - For Youth**

Your child's a natural on the stage, so what does it take to bridge the gap to acting for the camera? Your young star will learn new techniques specifically suited to the camera in this practical class that explores the wide world of TV and film acting.

2<sup>nd</sup>-6<sup>th</sup> grades

Monday-Friday, August 2-6- 1 week

10 am-4 pm

\$310

**Pre-requisite: Previous acting experience**

*Location TBA*

### **The Art of Comedy - For Youth**

It takes more than a good joke to make people laugh. Students will learn the secrets of comedic acting and develop comedic timing and skills as they explore everything from improv to slapstick and pratfalls. Friends and family will be rolling in the aisles with laughter on the final day of class.

2<sup>nd</sup>-6<sup>th</sup> grades

Monday-Friday, August 16-20 – 1 week

10 a.m.-4 p.m.

\$310

Showcase: August 20, 3 pm

*Location TBA*

### **Teen Summer Showcase**

All the fun and excitement of putting on a great production in just one week. From getting cast to rehearsing and preparing for a final production, teens will have a great time working together and developing their acting skills. The play will be chosen specifically for teens.

7<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grades

Monday-Friday, August 9-13 – 1 week

10 am-4 pm

\$285

Performance: August 13, 3 pm

*Class meets at TTC*

### **Summer Showcase**

Students will polish their acting skills and then let them shine. Focusing specifically on the acting technique and ensemble building, this camp gets students working together to create a performance in just one week.

3<sup>rd</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grades

Monday-Friday, August 23-27 – 1 week

10 am-4 pm – 1 week

\$285

Performance: August 27, 3 pm

*Class meets at TTC*

### **Advanced Musical Theatre Supercamp**

Aimed at young actors who want a taste of the professional world of musical theatre, this class is for the serious artist in continued training who wishes to take their performance to a new level. Each student will audition for a place in camp. Those who are accepted will audition for a role and be cast in a challenging Broadway-style musical.

5<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grades

Monday-Friday, August 9-21 – 2 weeks

10 am-4 pm

\$535

Performances: August 20, 3 pm and August 21, 10 am

**Pre-requisite: 2 TTC Musical Theatre Daycamps and audition with camp instructor**

*Location TBA*

### **Audition! NEW!**

Is your young actor itching to jump into the world of professional acting? This camp will prepare them for the most vital part of acting: auditions. Our team will lead them through the process of auditioning from start to finish, and they will leave this class with a professional resume, headshot and monologue. During the week, students will get the chance to interact with some of the best and brightest artists and Taproot professionals who know what it takes to excel in this industry.

5<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grades

Monday-Friday, August 23-27 -1 week

10 am-4 pm

\$285

*Location TBA*