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Before there was T. Swift and Chappell Roan, there was Patsy. Experience the Joy and Heartbreak of One of Country Music's Icons with Taproot Theatre's Production of *Always... Patsy Cline*

May 14 – June 14, 2025

SEATTLE, WA – April 4, 2025 – Taproot Theatre is excited to present *Always... Patsy Cline*, a heartfelt tribute to one of country music's icons, this spring. Directed by Producing Artistic Director Karen Lund, this musical celebration of friendship and song opens on May 16 and runs through June 14, 2025, in Taproot's Jewell Mainstage Theatre.

Created and originally directed by Ted Swindley, *Always... Patsy Cline* is based on a true story. Journey through the joy and heartbreak of Patsy Cline's groundbreaking career through her unlikely friendship with her biggest fan. With unforgettable songs including "Walkin' After Midnight," "I Fall to Pieces," and "Crazy," you'll experience the power of love, longing, and friendship. It's time to kick off your boots and dance! Licensed by the family and estate of Patsy Cline. All rights reserved.

The production stars **Cayman Ilika** as Patsy Cline and **Kate Jaeger** as Louise Seger, under the direction of **Karen Lund**. Taproot previously staged this play in its Isaac Studio Theatre in 2019 and toured it to two states, but this marks its debut on the Jewell Mainstage.

Tickets are available online at taproottheatre.org, by phone at 206.781.9707 (Tue-Sat, noon-5:00 PM), or in person at 204 N 85th St. Ticket prices range from \$25-62 with discounts available for students, seniors, active military, 25 & Under, and TeenTix members. Discounts are also available for groups of 8 or more by calling 206.781.9708 or by visiting taproottheatre.org/group-sales.

SPECIAL DATES FOR THE AUDIENCE

Pay What You Can (PWYC): May 21 at 7:30 PM; regular-priced tickets available in advance, \$10 tickets offered starting at noon day of show, and pay-what-you-can pricing in-person day of show.

Senior Matinees: May 20 and June 4 at 2:00 PM; Taproot's Senior Matinee program provides anyone aged 62 and older with an affordable way to participate in live theatre in a convenient daytime performance. Performance features a post-play discussion, immediately following the show.

ALWAYS... PATSY CLINE FACT SHEET

WHAT: Taproot Theatre Company presents *Always... Patsy Cline*, created and originally directed by Ted Swindley, based on a true story. *Journey through the joy and heartbreak of Patsy Cline's groundbreaking career through her unlikely friendship with her biggest fan. With unforgettable songs including "Walkin' After Midnight," "I Fall to Pieces," and "Crazy," you'll experience the power of love, longing, and friendship. It's time to kick off your boots and dance! Licensed by the family and estate of Patsy Cline. All rights reserved.*

WHEN: May 14–June 14, 2025 • Wed/Thur/Fri/Sat, 7:30 PM; Sat matinee, 2:00 PM

Dates to note:

Previews: May 14 and 15, 7:30 PM

Opening Night: May 16, 7:30 PM

PWYC: May 21, 7:30 PM

Midweek Matinees: May 20 and June 4 at 2:00 PM

WHERE: Taproot Theatre Company's Jewell Mainstage Theatre, 204 N 85th St, Seattle, WA 98103

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AGE RECOMMENDATION: 12+

PHOTOS: Press photos are available online at <https://taproottheatre.org/for-the-press/> (Jewell Mainstage Theatre → *Always... Patsy Cline* (link not to be published))

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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 Jewell Mainstage Productions, Isaac Studio Theatre Productions, Touring Productions and the Acting Studio. Taproot

Theatre Company tells stories of hope, serving the Pacific Northwest through live theatre and educational programs. Taproot Theatre Company is a member of Theatre Communications Group (TCG), Theatre Puget Sound (TPS) and Phinney Ridge Neighborhood Association (PNA).

Karen Lund, *Producing Artistic Director*
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