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Broadway Rose Theatre Presents a Boot Stompin' Musical Comedy



Tigard, OR – The Broadway Rose Theatre Company continues its 2014 season of brass 'n' sass with the boot stompin' musical comedy *The Best Little Whorehouse in Texas* playing at the **Deb Fennell Auditorium**. Preview performance is Thursday, July 31 with opening night on **Friday, August 1**, and performances continuing through **August 17, 2014**. Evening performances are Thursday through Saturdays at 7:30 p.m. Matinees are at 2 p.m. on Sundays, and on Saturdays, August 9 and 16. The Deb Fennell Auditorium is located at 9000 SW Durham Road in Tigard. **Tickets start at \$30** for adults, with discounts available for groups and youth. For a full listing of show performances or to order tickets visit www.broadwayrose.org or call the box office at 503.620.5262.

Based on true events, this sassy, spirited tale of small town vice and political side-stepping recounts the heydays and the demise of the Chicken Ranch, notoriously one of Texas' finest bordellos since the 1850s. Politicians, townspeople, and even the local college football team frequent Miss Mona's house of ill repute, but when puritanical consumer watchdog Melvin P. Thorpe turns his television cameras on the institution, the madam of the house finds herself fighting to preserve the ranch and protect her girls, while at the same time navigating a complicated relationship with town sheriff Ed Earl.

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The Best Little Whorehouse in Texas was based on a story by Larry L. King with book by Larry L. King and Peter Masterson, and music and lyrics by Carol Hall. Peggy Taphorn will direct, with musical direction by Eric Little and choreography by Jacob Toth. The creative team also includes Sean O'Skea (Set Designer), Gene Dent (Lighting Designer), Shana Targosz (Costume Designer), Tim Richey (Sound Designer), Jim Crino (Prop Designer), and Olivia Murphy (Production Stage Manager).

The cast includes Sharon Maroney as Miss Mona Stangley, Colin Wood as Sheriff Ed Earl Dodd, and Dan Murphy as Melvin P. Thorpe.

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BROADWAY ROSE THEATRE COMPANY, a non-profit arts organization, is Oregon's premier musical theater company. Under the artistic direction of Sharon Maroney, Broadway Rose has been successfully producing musical theater in Tigard since 1992 and plays an important role in enriching the community's cultural arts. Committed to increasing opportunities for Oregonians to participate in the arts and working to retain Portland's talent pool and attract new talent to the area, Broadway Rose is resolved to keep live theater affordable and make its productions accessible to all ages and members of the community.

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