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Broadway Rose Theatre Company Presents a Musical Farce



Tigard, OR – The Broadway Rose Theatre Company continues its 2013 season of memories with the musical farce *Lucky Stiff* playing at the **Broadway Rose New Stage**. Preview performance is September 19 with opening night on **Friday, September 20**, and performances continue through **October 13**, **2013**. Evening performances are Thursdays through Saturdays at 7:30 p.m. Matinees are at 2 p.m. on Sundays, and on Saturdays, September 28, October 5 and 12. The New Stage is located at 12850 SW Grant Avenue 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.

From the Tony Award-winning musical team of Lynn Ahrens and Stephen Flaherty (*Ragtime, Seussical*), *Lucky Stiff* is a zany murder mystery musical farce based on the novel, "The Man Who Broke the Bank at Monte Carlo" by Michael Butterworth, complete with slamming doors, mistaken identities, missing diamonds, and a corpse in a wheelchair! Unassuming English shoe salesman Harry Witherspoon is forced to take the embalmed body of his recently

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murdered Atlantic City uncle on a vacation to Monte Carlo. Should he succeed in passing Uncle off as alive, Harry stands to inherit \$6,000,000. If not, the money goes to the Universal Dog Home of Brooklyn—or to the gun-toting wife of the casino owner!

Staring in the musical is Robert Winstead as Harry Witherspoon, Amy Jo Halliday as Rita La Porta, the high-strung lover of the dead uncle, and Ecaterina Lynn as Annabel Glick, the nononsense representative of the Universal Dog Home of Brooklyn. Also featured in *Lucky Stiff* will be Bobby Jackson, William Shindler, Darren Hurley, Annie Kaiser, Catherine Bridge, Tim Smith, and David Smidebush.

Lucky Stiff will be directed and choreographed by Broadway Rose General Manager Dan Murphy with musical direction by Alan D. Lytle. The creative team also includes Chris Whitten (Scenic Designer), Allison Dawe (Costume Designer), Phil McBeth (Lighting Designer), Tim Richey (Sound Designer), Kendra Comeford (Prop Designer), and Jessica Downs (Production Stage Manager).

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BROADWAY ROSE THEATRE COMPANY, a non-profit arts organization, has been successfully producing musical theater in Tigard since 1992 under the artistic direction of Sharon Maroney. As Oregon's premier musical theater company, Broadway Rose 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. The Broadway Rose Theatre was selected as one of the "100 Best Nonprofits to Work For in Oregon" by Oregon Business Magazine in 2009, 2010, and 2011, and it was selected as the 2009 "Business of the Year" by the Tigard Chamber of Commerce.

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Photo by Craig Mitchelldyer. Pictured from left is David Smidebush, Robert Winstead as Harry Witherspoon, and Cooper.