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Carrie Newcomer to Perform at IWU

BLOOMINGTON, Ill. – Carrie Newcomer, the first artist ever to perform at Illinois Wesleyan's Blue Moon Coffeehouse when it originated in 1991, will return to perform on Saturday, September 24 at 8 p.m. in the Memorial Center's Main Lounge (104 E. University St., Bloomington).

Doors will open at 7:30 p.m. for the event, which is free and open to the public.

The singer/songwriter, who is known to charm listeners with her Midwestern storytelling and humor, will perform in celebration of her latest CD, "Regulars and Refugees." The CD functions as a concept album, portraying the world of a small-town restaurant in Southern Indiana called Betty's Diner. In a collection of well-hewn stories which stand alone as easily as they stand together, Newcomer writes the truth, however gritty and unpleasant it may be.

As a part of her "Regulars and Refugees" tour, which began with the album's release on August 9, Newcomer will donate a portion of her album sales to Second Harvest, the nation's second largest food bank network.

For more information, contact the Blue Moon Coffeehouse information line at (309) 556-3815, or check out their site at http://titan.iwu.edu/~bluemoon/