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IWU School of Music to Present Chamber Music Concert

BLOOMINGTON, Ill. – Illinois Wesleyan University's School of Music will present a chamber music concert Saturday, April 22 at 6:15 p.m. in the sanctuary of St. John's Lutheran Church (1617 E. Emerson St., Bloomington).

Although the concert is free and open to the public, donations to the IWU Summer Music Program Scholarship fund are welcome.

The program will feature the music of Brahms, Beethoven, Debussy, Kreisler and Mozart performed by the following IWU faculty: Nina Gordon, associate professor of cello and chamber music and IWU Summer Music Program founder and director, on cello; Lisa Nelson, adjunct instructor in music, string preparatory department coordinator and Summer Music Program executive director, on violin; and Kent Cook and Susan Brandon, both associate professors of piano and Chamber Music Camp faculty, on piano. Lisa Boland, a senior music education major from Plainfield, Ill., who has worked as a Cello Camp student counselor, will perform on viola.

Local students who have previously participated in the Chamber Music Camp will also be featured in the program. These guest performers will include Katie Cler on flute, Kayla Comerford on violin and Ji-Eun Park on cello.

IWU's annual Summer Music Program includes both a cello camp and a chamber music festival and camp. The camps are open to high school and junior high school students and consists of intensive chamber music training that includes daily coaching, rehearsals, master classes, elective studies, and performances by students and faculty. Donations received at Saturday's concert will benefit the scholarship fund that helps provide need-based financial assistance to students interested in participating in this program.

For more information, contact Gordon at (309) 556-3828.