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Civic Orchestra to Give Annual Concerto/Aria Concert

BLOOMINGTON, Ill. – The winners of Illinois Wesleyan University's annual Henry Charles Memorial Concerto/Aria Competition will be featured soloists in a concert given by the Illinois Wesleyan Civic Orchestra on Friday, Feb. 22 at 7:30 p.m.

Tickets for the concert, which will take place in the Bloomington Center for the Performing Arts (110 E. Mulberry St., Bloomington), cost \$10 for the general public, with discounts available for senior citizens, students with a valid ID and IWU alumni.

Conducted by Professor Steven Eggleston, the Orchestra will perform George Gershwin's *Cuban Overture* and Richard Wagner's *Rienzi Overture*. The Orchestra will also perform *Concerto for Violin, op. 26, Movement 3 (Finale)* by Max Bruch; *Introduction, Theme, and Variations* by Gioaccino Rossini; *O, Mio Fernando* by Gaetano Donizetti; *Concerto en un mouvement pour hautbois, op. 45* by Eugene Goossens; and *Concerto for Marimba, Movement 1* by Richard Rodney Bennet. The pieces will feature the following soloists, respectively:

- Nozomi Oka, Class of 2011, a business administration major from Kanagawa, Japan (violin).
- Sherry Reiss, Class of 2009, a music education major from Arlington Heights, Ill. (clarinet).
- Suzanne Rovani, Class of 2008, a voice major from Mount Prospect, Ill.
- Evan Tammen, Class of 2009, an orchestral instruments major from Thawville, Ill. (oboe).
- Joshua Ziemann, Class of 2008, an orchestral instruments major from Elmhurst, Ill. (marimba).

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