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## ***Musical***

### **IWU Presents *Cabaret***

BLOOMINGTON, Ill. Illinois Wesleyan University will present the musical *Cabaret* on March 6 - 10 at 8 p.m. and March 11 at 2 p.m. at the McPherson Theatre, 304 E. Graham St., Bloomington. Written by Joseph Kinder and Fred Ebb, *Cabaret* is a musical about sex, love and fascism during the rise of Nazism in 1930's Germany.

The musical revolves around two lead characters--Cliff, a troubled 25-year-old traveling through Europe in search of a topic for his novel, and Sally Bowles, a tawdry dancer at the hottest night spot in Berlin's Kit Kat Klub.

Cliff is played by Scott Moreau, a senior music-theatre major from Litchfield, Maine. Moreau said he wanted to audition for *Cabaret* because, "It would be a very different experience for me. Unlike most roles I've had in other musicals, for this part I have to do a lot more acting and less singing. This is new to me, and definitely a challenge."

Moreau said one of the best parts about being in the cast for *Cabaret* is the opportunity to work with the show's director, Roger Bechtel, assistant professor of theatre arts. "He puts himself on the same level as the actors," said Moreau. "We are always free to try new and different things. There is never a feeling of actor verses director; it is almost as if he is part of the cast."

For ticket information, call the IWU McPherson Theatre Box Office at 309/556-3232. The office is open 12:30 p.m.- 5 p.m. Monday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday; and 12:30 - 4 p.m. on Tuesday.

Students involved in the production include:

- Sarah Johnson, a junior theatre arts major from Madison, Wis., plays Sally
- Kristin Steward, a sophomore music-theatre major from Martella, Iowa, plays Fraulein Schnedier
- Melanie Joy Hall, a junior music-theatre major from Lincoln, Neb., plays Fraulein Kost
- Tom Wooldridge, a senior theatre arts major from Evanston, Ill., plays the Emcee
- Scott Moreau, a senior music-theatre major from Litchfield, Maine, plays Cliff
- Kenneth E. Pierce, a junior theatre arts major from Minneapolis, Minn., plays Herr Schultz
- Jon Rowsey, a senior theatre arts major from Oak Lawn, Ill., plays Ernst
- Nathan Brown, a senior vocal-performance major from Sterling, Ill., plays Bobby
- Jeff Doden, a junior theatre arts major from Appleton, Wis., plays Victor
- Andrew Schneider, a sophomore theatre arts major from Milwaukee, Wis., plays Max
- Karyn McNay, a senior music-theatre major from Quincy, Ill., plays a Kit Kat Girl
- Sarah Noerper, a senior music-theatre major from Deerfield, Ill., plays a Kit Kat Girl

- Natalie Trejo, a sophomore music-theatre major from St. Paul, Minn., plays a Kit Kat Girl
- Allison Rogers, a junior music-theatre major from Champaign, Ill., plays a Kit Kat Girl
- Danielle Plisz, a junior music-theatre major from Deerfield, Ill., plays a Kit Kat Girl
- Stephanie Seale, a senior music-theatre major from Chicago, plays a Kit Kat Girl
- Jane Roy-Bachman, a sophomore theatre arts major from Topeka, Kan., plays a Kit Kat Girl
- Cameron Heinzie, a sophomore music and business double major from Batavia, Ill., plays a Kit Kat Boy
- Dominic Cattero, a sophomore theatre arts major from Batavia, Ill., plays a Kit Kat Boy
- Justin Hurt, a sophomore theatre arts major from Leander, Texas, plays a Kit Kat Boy
- Jeremy Coffman, a junior music-education major from Mattoon, Ill., plays a Kit Kat Boy
- Gretchen Schaefer, a senior theatre arts major from Buffalo Grove, Ill., is the stage manager
- Jennifer Owen, a senior theatre arts major from Bloomington, Ill., is the scene designer

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