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BLOOMINGTON, Ill. - In [response to the recent earthquakes](#) and resulting devastation in Haiti, Illinois Wesleyan student leaders along with Rebecca Gearhart, chair of the sociology and anthropology departments and associate professor of anthropology, have joined together to plan a benefit concert featuring a battle of the bands for Haiti on Saturday, Jan. 23 at 7 p.m. in the Hansen Student Center (300 Beecher St., Bloomington).

There is a suggested donation of \$5 for students and \$10 for community members. Attendees are also encouraged to "tip" the bands they like in the buckets provided. All proceeds will go to Partners in Health.

The battle of the bands to benefit Haiti will feature a mix of performers consisting of students, faculty, staff, and community members and will have music ranging from rock to Irish folk. In addition, speakers from various campus organizations will update the audience on the situation in Haiti in terms of the environmental impact of the earthquake and how the money raised from the event will be used.

"You sometimes feel so helpless and disempowered when horrible global atrocities happen. This is a great way for IWU and the community to stop just reading about it and actually do something," said Jessica Meyer, a junior international studies major from Chicago, Ill.

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