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## Jazz Festival Concert

Jan. 17, 2013

BLOOMINGTON, Ill.—The 38th annual Illinois Wesleyan Jazz Festival will feature a performance by jazz educator and producer, Greg Gisbert. He is set to perform with the IWU Jazz Ensemble on Saturday, Jan. 19 at 12:45 p.m. in Westbrook Auditorium of Presser Hall (1210 Park St., Bloomington). The festival is designed as a daylong clinic for students of jazz.

The public is welcome to the free performance.

According to music critics, Greg Gisbert's musical talent shined through at an early age, which led him to become a sensation in the jazz scene. Originally from Denver, Gisbert left his hometown and attended Burklee College of Music in Boston, Mass.

He has toured with Buddy Rich and has been an essential player with the Woody Herman Orchestra, Maynard Ferguson, Maria Schneider and Norman Simmons. Gisbert has also worked with

Joe Roccisano, recorded with Chuck Bergeron, Loren Shoenberg and Ken Pelpowski along with accompanying Carol Sloane and Susannah McCorkle in large ensembles. He has recorded three albums under his own name for Criss Cross Jazz and is a founding member of the highly regarded group, Convergence. In recent years, he has started teaching in addition to conducting clinics across the United States.

The IWU Jazz Festival was founded in 1976 to encourage junior high and high school ensembles to participate in a non-competitive festival. There will be master classes, which are taught by prestigious jazz educators and performers from across the United States.

For further information on the Jazz Festival, contact the Illinois Wesleyan School of Music Office at (309) 556-3061.



Greg Gisbert

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