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February 23, 2005

BLOOMINGTON, Ill. - Fresh off tour performances in Chicago and in Arizona, the Illinois Wesleyan University Jazz Ensemble will appear in concert at 7:30 p.m. on Friday, Feb. 25, in Presser Hall (1210 Park Street, Bloomington). The concert is open to the public at no charge.

The Illinois Wesleyan Jazz Ensemble is under the direction of Thomas Streeter, professor of music and founder of the jazz program at the University's School of Music.

The 18-member ensemble, including vocalist Kathryn Lachey, a Sophomore from Arlington Heights, Ill., presented a concert at the Art Institute of Chicago on Feb. 13 and then gave two concerts on a weekend trip to Phoenix and Sun City, Ariz., on Feb. 19-22. The concerts were held in conjunction with Illinois Wesleyan alumni events.

The program for the concert will include selections from Glenn Miller, Benny Goodman, Duke Ellington, Oscar Peterson, and Sammy Cahn.

The Jazz Ensemble is open to all students of the University by audition. Liberal arts students are encouraged to play side by side with their music major peers. The emphasis of the ensemble is to develop skills, which would make a student competitive in the jazz/commercial playing field, as well as competent in conducting an ensemble of their own. The literature for the ensemble includes the finest music from all big band styles, with an emphasis on jazz "classics."



Tom Streeter

The Illinois Wesleyan Jazz Ensemble

Alto Saxophone			
Brent Bogen	Freshman	J.D. Darnall High School	Geneseo, IL
Dan Glade	Senior	Riverdale High School	Port. Byron IL
Tenor Saxophone			
Cory Nelson	Junior	Niles West High School	Morton Grove IL
Kyle Charles	Freshman	Davenport Central High School	Davenport, IA
Baritone Saxophone			
Mandy Andrews	Sophomore	Geneva High School	Geneva, IL
Trumpet			
Kevin Thommes	Junior	Naperville Central High School	Naperville, IL

Ted Nichols	Freshman	Wheaton North High School	Wheaton, IL
David Banas	Freshman	Prospect High School	Mt. Prospect, IL
Amy LeClercq	Freshman	Hinsdale High School	Darien, IL
Vocalist			
Kathryn Lachey	Sophomore	Prospect High School	Arlington Hts., IL
Trombone			
Phil Arquette	Junior	Fenton High School	Bensonville, IL
Micah Stickling	Junior	Dunlap High School	Peoria, IL
Matt Hendrickson	Senior	Bradley-Bourbonnais High School	Bradley, IL
Bass Trombone			
Lindsay Gross	Freshman	Naperville Central High School	Naperville, IL
Piano			
Luke Gullikson	Sophomore	Washington High School	Cedar Rapids, IA
Bass			
Phil Krawchuk	Junior	Fremd High School	Rolling Meadows, IL
Drums			
Steph Lyon	Sophomore	Byron High School	Byron, IL
Percussion			
Brian Baxter	Sophomore	Geneva High School	Geneva, IL
Sound Technicians			
Kevin O'Keefe	Junior	Maine Twn. High School East	Glenview, IL
Mike Lawton	Freshman	Oak Park & River Forest High School	River Forest, IL