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Guitar Program at IWU

BLOOMINGTON, Ill.—The Illinois Wesleyan University String Preparatory Department is offering guitar lessons for the fall academic school year. Starting Sept. 14 through Nov. 21, group lessons will be given by Lucas Krolikowski, an IWU adjunct faculty member, in room 16 of Presser Hall (1210 Park St., Bloomington).

With a registration deadline of Sept. 7, the cost of the program is \$125, plus a \$20 material fee. All classes are 50 minutes for 10 consecutive sessions and will enroll a minimum of 3 students. Private lessons are also available on weeknights. Please contact Lisa Nelson for more information at email: lnelson@iwu.edu or by phone at: (309) 556-3547.

Please Note: Students must provide their own instrument, preferably a nylon-string guitar; steel-string acoustics are also acceptable. Students also will be expected to practice 30 minutes to an hour every day.

Following is a list of the classes that will be offered.

Junior Guitar Group Lessons

For beginners ages 8 - 12

Wednesday evenings at 6:00 pm

Junior lessons will start with music fundamentals, learning how to read rhythms and notes on a staff. During the course, students will play simple ensemble music as well as acquire a basic understanding of chords and the ability to read music in the first position. Students will use the book "New Dimensions in Classical Guitar for Children."

Senior Guitar Group Lessons

For beginners ages 13 – 17 Wednesday evenings at 7:00 pm

Adult Guitar Group Lessons I & II

For beginners ages 18 and older Friday evenings at 5:00 & 6:00 pm

Beginning classes will cover first position chords, reading rhythms and notes on a staff, basic strumming patterns, and basic ensemble skills. Students will be introduced to a variety of styles and genres, including rock, blues, and pop. Students will use the book *Contemporary Class Guitar* by Will Schmid.

<i>Intermediate and Advanced Guitar Group Lessons</i> – classes will be arranged by varying levels depending on the student's prior experience. Times to be determined.	
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