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## Local Resident to Perform in Concerto/Aria

BLOOMINGTON, III. – Sherry Reiss, a Prospect High School graduate from Arlington Heights, IL has been selected as one of five winners of Illinois Wesleyan University's annual Henry Charles Memorial Concerto/Aria Competition.

Reiss, a junior majoring in music education, will perform *Introduction, Theme and Variations* by Gioaccino Rossini as a featured clarinet soloist in the Illinois Wesleyan Civic Orchestra Concerto/Aria Concert. The concert will take place at 7:30 p.m. on Friday, Feb. 22 at the Bloomington Center for the Performing Arts (110 E. Mulberry St., Bloomington).

Tickets for the concert cost \$10 for the general public, with discounts available for senior citizens and IWU alumni.

The competition winners are chosen through a series of auditions conducted during the fall semester. The concert is named in memory of the late Henry Charles, a former faculty member and initiate of Pi Mu Alpha Sinfonia national fraternity. Phi Mu Alpha, whose Alpha Lambda chapter was founded in 1924 at Illinois Wesleyan, has been a contributing sponsor of the Concerto/Aria concert since 1979.

For additional information about the concert, contact the Illinois Wesleyan Civic Orchestra Office at (309) 556-3346.

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