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### *Urbana Student Participates in "A Bold Stroke for a Wife" at IWU*

BLOOMINGTON, Ill. – Sarah Ziebart of Urbana, Ill., will portray an ensemble member in the Illinois Wesleyan University production of "A Bold Stroke For A Wife," running April 12-17 in McPherson Theatre (2 Ames Plaza East, Bloomington).

Ziebart, a graduate of Urbana High School, is a junior majoring in theatre arts at Illinois Wesleyan.

"A Bold Stroke for a Wife" performances will be at 8 p.m. April 12-16 and at 2 p.m. April 17. The production is under the direction of Assistant Professor of Theatre Arts Sara Freeman.

"A Bold Stroke For A Wife," first performed in 1718, was written by Susanna Centlivre, one of the first professional female playwrights. Critics have described "A Bold Stroke For A Wife" as "perhaps the finest example of Centlivre's masterful plotting of comic intrigue." Set in 18th century England, the play tells the story of a military officer, Colonel Fainwell, who wishes to marry a young woman named Anne Lovely. However, standing in Fainwell's way are Anne's four guardians who include an antiquarian, an old beau, a Quaker, and an exchange broker. In order to have Anne's hand in marriage, Fainwell has to convince each of these protectors that he will make an ideal husband. In hopes of obtaining their permission through flattery, Fainwell dresses in elaborate disguises, which mimic the varying personalities and occupations of the guardians he is to persuade.

Tickets are \$6 for performances on April 12, 13, and 17 and \$8 for performances on April 14, 15 and 16, or \$1.00 with a valid student I.D. Tickets can be purchased by calling the McPherson Theatre Box Office at 556-3232.

For additional information, contact the School of Theatre Arts at (309) 556-3195.