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Event:

Friday in America

3 performances of the play just staged at Chicago's Victory Gardens Theater.

Friday in America—a story about generational clashes in a 1950s Italian-American family living in West Virginia's industrial peninsula—was written by John Ficca, professor of theatre arts, former head of IWU's theatre program, and the university's senior faculty member. IWU alumni involved in the production on- and off-stage are former students of Ficca's.

The play is being produced as part of IWU's Homecoming '99 program.

Performances:

Oct. 22 (Friday), 8 p.m.
Oct. 23 (Saturday), 2 p.m. and 7 p.m.

Location:

IWU's McPherson Theatre, 304 E. Graham St.,
Bloomington

Tickets:

Prices: \$12 general admission, \$10 students

Reserve seats by calling the McPherson Theatre Box Office, 309/556-3232 or mail payment to McPherson Theatre Box Office, 304 E. Graham St.,
Bloomington, Ill. 61702-2900

**Play
Background:**

See attached news release about the Chicago production.