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"Saturday Night Live" Star Norm MacDonald to Perform at IWU

BLOOMINGTON, Ill.--"Saturday Night Live" star Norm MacDonald will perform Jan. 22 at 7:30 p.m. in the Illinois Wesleyan University Shirk Center.

Admission is free and open to the public. IWU's Shirk Center is located at 302 E. Emerson St., Bloomington.

MacDonald joined the SNL cast last year as a featured player and will return this fall for a second season as a company member. Some of his memorable impersonations include Dr. Kevorkian, Charles Kuralt, Andy Rooney, and Bob Dole.

MacDonald debuted this season as the host of SNL's "Weekend Update," where one critic praised his blunt slant on the "the fake news" as "jaw droppingly funny."

In February, 1995, MacDonald made his feature film debut in Universal's "Billy Madison," a film which also starred MacDonald's fellow SNL cast member Adam Sandler.

A native of Quebec City, Canada, MacDonald began his stand-up career 8 years ago performing in comedy clubs throughout Canada. Upon moving to Los Angeles, he became a writer on ABC's hit television series "Roseanne." MacDonald's television appearances have included the "Late Show with David Letterman," "The Tonight Show with Jay Leno," and comedy specials on cable TV networks MTV and VHI.

MacDonald resides in Los Angeles and New York. SNL is seen locally Saturday nights after the 10 p.m. news on WEEK-TV, Channel 25.