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BROADWAY MUSICAL COMEDY *SISTER ACT* MAKES ITS BLOOMINGTON DEBUT AT IU AUDITORIUM

WHAT: Sister Act

WHEN: Tuesday–Wednesday, January 27–28, 8 p.m.

WHERE: IU Auditorium

TICKETS: \$21-\$42 for IU Bloomington students with a valid ID and \$39-\$63 for general public, on sale now. Individual tickets may be purchased online at IUauditorium.com, in person at the IU Auditorium Box Office, as well as through Ticketmaster.com, all Ticketmaster outlets, or charge by phone at 800-745-3000. The IU Auditorium Box Office is open Monday through Friday, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

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BLOOMINGTON, Ind. – Coming direct from Broadway, IU Auditorium will host *Sister Act The Musical* January 27-28 at 8 p.m.

When disco diva Deloris Van Cartier witnesses a murder, she is put into protective custody in the one place cops are sure she won't be found—a convent. Disguised as a nun, she finds herself at odds with both the rigid lifestyle and an uptight Mother Superior. Using her fabulous disco-ness and killer voice to inspire the choir, Deloris breathes new life into the church, but in doing so blows her cover. Soon it's nun-on-the-run time but she finds salvation in the heavenly power of her newly found sisterhood. But will Deloris escape the clutches of those who hunt her, and will the newly-inspired nuns be able to save their convent from being sold out from under their holy noses?

With a story based on the hit film, *Sister Act* features an original score by eight-time Oscar winner Alan Menken (*Beauty and the Beast*, *The Little Mermaid*) with a vast inspiration of musical styles from Motown,

soul, and funk, and including Barry White-inspired disco anthems and heavy, not-too-traditional musical comedy. *Sister Act* features scenic design by Klara Zieglerova (*Jersey Boys*), costume design by Lez Brotherson (*Swan Lake*), lighting design by Natasha Katz (*Once*), and sound design by Peter McBoyle (*Come Fly Away*). Produced by Whoopi Goldberg, Troika Entertainment, and Nuns On Tour, LLC, *Sister Act* is the recipient of five 2011 Tony Award nominations including Best Musical, Best Original Score, and Best Book of a Musical.

“To hear people laugh and cheer the way they do at *Sister Act*—a show people *think* they know but are pleasantly surprised to discover is not what they are expecting—is a magical experience for a producer,” says producer Whoopi Goldberg. “Happily, audiences across the country are able to get in on the fun as Deloris and her fabulous sisters spread the love nationwide.”

“We are happy to welcome the fun and uplifting Broadway musical *Sister Act* to Bloomington and IU Auditorium,” said IU Auditorium Director Doug Booher. “*Sister Act* acknowledges the universal power of friendship in a way that speaks to a wide array of audiences—and with vocals that are out-of-this-world, you couldn’t ask for a better night of entertainment. Prepare yourselves for an evening of laughter, love, and joy!”

For more information on *Sister Act* and the rest of the 2014-2015 season, visit IUauditorium.com. The website features video clips and a selection of songs from this season's performances, in addition to a direct link to the IU Auditorium Facebook and Twitter pages, whose members receive exclusive benefits throughout the year.

Sister Act at IU Auditorium is sponsored by IU Credit Union, Riley Physicians at IU Health, and IU Office of First Year Experience Programs. IU Auditorium’s 2014-2015 season is presented by Curry Auto Center, B97 Radio, *The Herald-Times*, and Cook Medical.

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