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MONTY PYTHON'S JOHN CLEESE TAKES THE IU AUDITORIUM STAGE ON OCT. 1

WHAT: John Cleese WHEN: October 1, 3 p.m. WHERE: IU Auditorium

TICKETS: Starting at \$21 for IU Bloomington students with a valid ID and starting at \$38 for the 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. – John Cleese, of Monty Python fame, will be silly-walking into Bloomington for an appearance at IU Auditorium on Sunday, October 1 at 3:00 p.m.

Cleese will take the stage following a screening of *Monty Python and the Holy Grail* for a live and truly unforgettable evening of conversation and audience Q&A (absurd and/or ridiculous questions only are requested). John will tell stories of his life and career and the audience just may finally find out the air-speed of an unladen swallow.

The audience conversation with Cleese will be moderated by Indiana University President and Monty Python fan Michael A. McRobbie.

"The world's funniest man" first made his mark as a member of the legendary Monty Python troupe in the 1960s, and has gone on to write, produce, direct, and star in some of the greatest comedic hits of the last 40 years.

"IU Auditorium is honored to host living comedy legend John Cleese," executive director of IU Auditorium, Doug Booher, said. "Not only will the audience experience watching *Monty Python and the Holy Grail* within the Auditorium, but we will have the privilege of hearing Cleese speak on the film, his life, and a lifetime of general hilarity immediately following. Don't miss your chance to see the man who has achieved nothing short of comedy royalty!"

For more information on John Cleese and the rest of the 2017–2018 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.

John Cleese at IU Auditorium is presented in partnership with Fourwinds Lakeside Inn and Marina. IU Auditorium's 2017–2018 season is presented by B97, Curry Auto Center, *The Herald Times,* French Lick Resort, and IU Division of Residential Program and Services.