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**IU AUDITORIUM PRESENTS INTERNATIONALLY-ACCLAIMED OPERATIC SOPRANO
ANGELA GHEORGHU ON SEPTEMBER 23**

WHAT: Angela Gheorghiu

WHEN: Wednesday, September 23, 8 p.m.

WHERE: IU Auditorium

TICKETS: \$20-\$41 for IU Bloomington students with a valid ID and \$38-\$62 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. – Vocalist Angela Gheorghiu comes to IU Auditorium for a solo concert performance on Wednesday, September 23, at 8 p.m.

An award winning and world-renowned operatic soprano, Angela Gheorghiu stands out from a generation of talented singers. Lauded for her smooth, dark-toned soprano and dramatic gift for storytelling, Ms. Gheorghiu has graced all of the world's most prestigious opera stages, including numerous engagements at the Metropolitan Opera in New York. Considered "the world's most glamorous opera star" (*New York Sun*), Gheorghiu has also collaborated with many of the world's most prestigious opera directors, conductors, and vocalists.

After studying at the National University of Music Bucharest, Romanian-born Angela Gheorghiu burst onto the classical music scene in 1992 with debuts at three of the world's most illustrious stages: the Royal Opera House Covent Garden, The Metropolitan Opera, and the Vienna State Opera. Since then, she has graced the stages of opera houses and concert halls across the globe—including appearances in acclaimed performances of *La Rondine* and *Pagliacci* at the Royal Opera House; *Romeo et Juliette* at the

Choregies d'Orange and Salzburg Festival; *Faust* at the Metropolitan Opera, Royal Opera House, and Monte Carlo Opera; and *Simon Boccanegra* at the Royal Opera House. Notable recital and concert performances include The Salzburg Festival, Vienna's Musikverein, Amsterdam's Queen Beatrix Jubilee Gala, the New Year's Eve concert with the New York Philharmonic, plus O2 Arena with Placido Domingo and the opening of Katara Amphitheater in Doha, Qatar. "It's hard to imagine anyone bettering Angela Gheorghiu... her voice, feather-light and creamy yet with a core of steel," commented *The Observer*. "...simply unforgettable."

In addition to her various performances, Ms. Gheorghiu has recorded numerous audio releases as an exclusive artist with EMI Classics—recordings for which she has been awarded accolades including the Gramophone Award, Diapason d'Or Award, USA Critics' Award, and Female Artist of the Year from the Classical Brit Awards.

"Indiana University has long been a strong supporter of the classical arts, and following this tradition, we are pleased to welcome the gifted Angela Gheorghiu to the Auditorium," said IU Auditorium Director Doug Booher. "Ms. Gheorghiu is an internationally acclaimed opera singer and one of the most celebrated sopranos of our time. Prepare to enjoy a passionate and unforgettable performance."

For more information on Angela Gheorghiu and the rest of the 75th anniversary 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.

Angela Gheorghiu at IU Auditorium is sponsored by Indiana University Office of the President and IU Lifelong Learning. IU Auditorium's 2015–2016 season is presented by Curry Auto Center, B97 Radio, *The Herald-Times*, and Grant Street Inn.

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