

**ILLINOIS STATE  
UNIVERSITY**

**BOARD OF  
TRUSTEES**

**Resolution No. 2025.12/44  
Authorization to Name the  
Carole and Jerry Ringer  
Concert Hall Stage**

**Resolution**

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees, as authorized by the Board of Trustees Governing Document, Section C, Policies, Subsection IV-C, Naming of Facilities, shall approve the naming of all facilities at the University; and

Whereas, the concert hall stage is located inside the Center for Performing Arts; and

Whereas, Carole and Jerry Ringer have committed financial resources to Illinois State University; and

Whereas, the University Naming Committee has recommended, and President Tarhule has endorsed the recommendation as described herein:

Therefore, be it resolved that the Board of Trustees in regular meeting assembled, approves the naming of the concert hall stage in the Center of Performing Arts as the “Carole and Jerry Ringer Concert Hall Stage” in recognition of financial support to Illinois State University.

Board Action on:	_____	Postpone:	_____
Motion by:	_____	Amend:	_____
Second by:	_____	Disapprove:	_____
Vote:	Yeas: _____ Nays: _____	Approve:	_____

ATTEST: Board Action, December 12, 2025

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Secretary / Chairperson

**Board of Trustees  
Illinois State University  
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The Wonsook Kim College of Fine Arts respectfully requests naming the concert hall stage in the Center of Performing Arts as the Carole and Jerry Ringer Concert Hall Stage. This naming reflects and recognizes the generous financial commitment by Carole and Jerry Ringer.

Carole and Jerry Ringer have been advocates and supporters of fine arts at Illinois State University since their arrival in the area in 1970 to establish Jerry's ophthalmology practice. Jerry is a founding member of the Illinois Shakespeare Festival Board of Directors, and Carole was the first Executive Director for the Illinois Prairie Community Foundation, Executive Director for the Bloomington-Normal Symphony, and a leader of the BroMenn Foundation for the Mennonite College of Nursing. Their commitment to philanthropy has had a major impact on the Bloomington-Normal community.

The Ringers' financial commitment to the Wonsook Kim College of Fine Arts will elevate student experiences for years to come. As a result, we propose naming the concert hall stage as the Carole and Jerry Ringer Concert Hall Stage.