

Gift certificates are available for Simon Estes concert set for April

Gift certificates for tickets for the concert to be given by world famous opera singer Simon Estes at Iowa Valley Community High School April 1, 2015, are now available through the Iowa Valley Community School District Foundation. The gift certificates may be purchased in time for Christmas

Tickets will go on sale for the event in February, and the gift certificates may be redeemed for seats at that time.

Tickets will be \$15 for reserved seating; \$10 for general seating and \$6 for the dessert reception, following the concert, to be held at P.H.A.T. Daddy's, Marengo. The gift certificate may be purchased for seating as well as for seating and the reception and should indicate whether for reserved seating or general admission.

Checks for gift certificates for concert tickets should be made out to the IVCSD Foundation and sent to the Foundation at 359 East Hilton Street, Marengo, 52301, attention Janet Grafft or Simon Estes concert.

Students from Iowa Valley, HLV, English Valleys and Williamsburg will be participating in the concert. Neal Schwarting is coordinating this part of the concert. The following day Estes will also meet with the students informally to share his story, obstacles he overcame, qualities and characteristics needed to be successful.

Estes' concert is expected to include selections from Broadway shows, opera, inspirational songs and spirituals. The Centerville native has performed with major international opera companies in this country and throughout the world. He has held a teaching position at Boston University and currently an adjunct professor at Iowa State University and is a professor at Wartburg College, Waverly.

His concert in Marengo is sponsored by the Roots and Wings committee through the IVCSD Foundation. The committee includes Lois Fettkether, Jane Ahlberg, Gary and Judy Huxford and Jane Bigbee.