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**Indiana Debate Commission Announces Tickets for Final Gubernatorial Debate  
Block Tickets Open to School Groups for Bloomington, Ind., Event**

**BLOOMINGTON, Ind.**—The Indiana Debate Commission is making free tickets available to the public today for the final gubernatorial debate in Bloomington through Ticketmaster for individuals and through advance reservations for school groups contacting the Indiana University Auditorium.

“We’re encouraging our youngest citizens to attend the final debate in person,” said Gerry Lanosga, an associate instructor at Indiana University and board member of the Indiana Debate Commission. “There is no better opportunity for those who will soon vote, or be voting for the first time, to see and hear these candidates debate.”

The upcoming debate, which includes incumbent Republican Mitch Daniels, Democrat Jill Long Thompson and Libertarian Andy Horning, is scheduled for Tuesday, October 14, 7 p.m. ET, at the Indiana University Auditorium, 1211 E. 7<sup>th</sup> St., Bloomington, Ind.

The final debate will be moderated by Tom Cochrun, a retired broadcaster and independent filmmaker who spent decades in both radio and television in central Indiana and also ran a successful documentary film company.

The format for this venue will be a roundtable discussion with candidates that will include questions for consideration submitted by the public online to the Indiana Debate Commission, the official sponsor of the three gubernatorial debates.

Questions can be submitted for consideration at [www.indianadebatecommission.com](http://www.indianadebatecommission.com) through Wednesday, Oct. 8.

Limited block tickets also will be available for classroom groups from high schools, colleges and universities. Teachers or administrators can request tickets by faxing the auditorium box office at 812-855-4244. To be considered for a first-come, first-served block of seats, a school must:

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- Identify the institution on letterhead
- Identify the administrator or teacher making the request
- Provide a work telephone and email of the requestor so receipt can be confirmed through the “will call” office

Block ticket reservations will be limited to 25 tickets per school.

For other ticket seekers, the commission has set a limit of two tickets per person.

Free online tickets can be printed directly from:

<http://iuauditorium.com/new0809/govdebate.html>

The auditorium box office is open Monday through Friday from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tickets held for “will call” can be picked up at the box office beginning at 2 p.m. on the day of the debate.

Ticketmaster can be contacted at 317-239-5151 or 812-333-9955.

Individuals who need ADA accommodations are asked to call 812-855-1103 or send an advance e-mail describing those needs to [tickets@indiana.edu](mailto:tickets@indiana.edu).

For additional information about the I.U. Auditorium, visit <http://IUauditorium.com>.

## **About the Indiana Debate Commission**

The Indiana Debate Commission is a non-partisan, statewide group of affiliate organizations dedicated to promoting debates at the state level. Incorporated in the fall of 2007, the all volunteer IDC will work with candidates, sponsors, venues and citizen groups to promote open, unbiased and transparent debates for Hoosier voters. For more information visit: [www.indianadebatecommission.com](http://www.indianadebatecommission.com)

## **Indiana Debate Commission Affiliates**

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