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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

SOLO ACOUSTIC GUITARIST ROGER DAY TO PERFORM AT EIU

CHARLESTON -- Roger Day, a national "Campus Entertainer of the Year Awards" nominee, will perform at 9 p.m. Thursday, March 27, at Eastern Illinois University's Martin Luther King Jr. University Union Rathskeller.

Currently on the road to support the release of his second CD, "One Equal Road," Day will bring his solo acoustic performance and tenor singing to EIU. His sound is often compared as a cross between R.E.M.'s Michael Stipe and James Taylor. His live shows reflect a diversity of styles with pop-oriented originals blended with covers by Counting Crows, U2, Pearl Jam and R.E.M., among many others.

Day is one of the busiest performers on the college circuit today, having played on more than 600 campuses across the country. His affable manner on-and off-stage has brought considerable praise and recognition. He made the cut as a finalist in the Kerrville Folk Festival's New Folk Songwriters Competition in 1992, and his first CD, "Rich Man, Poor Man, Beggerman, Thief," was rated by Performing Songwriter Magazine as one of the 10 best independent releases of 1994.

Day also scored the music for the award-winning play, "Light in Love," and is working on a new CD of children's music.

The performance is \$5 for the public and \$3 for EIU students with ID. For more information, call the EIU University Board at 581-5117.