

A GREEK WEEKEND

Greek Week festivities began with Greek Sing and Airband kicking it off.

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Kesha jokes about wearing an Eastern shirt, thrown at her by an audience member, to bed during the spring concert Saturday in Lantz Arena.



Kesha amps up the audiences, telling everyone to forget about everything that is worrying them and raise their middle fingers in the air.



Kesha performs Lesley Gore 's "You Don't Own Me" after addressing the loss of her contract with her form record company and lawsuit with her previous manager.

Kesha headlines spring concert, shows support for her fans, LGBTQ community

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Kesha showed her support for LG-BTQ rights and love for her fans at Saturday's Spring Concert.

Before the concert, Catherine Almazan, a senior sociology major, said she was happy to have Kesha come.

"I'm excited for it. I'm thankful I can see it for free because I'm with University Board," Almazan said. "It should be a fun concert."

Almazan said she hoped Kesha would play some of her older hits.

"I'm really hoping she plays 'Sleazy' and 'Tik Tok' and stuff like that," Almazan said. "Around my high school years she really came out and she really just stood out to me because she showed that she just didn't care about what people thought and she was able to just be her-

Emma Bevis, a junior early childhood education major from Southern Illinois University-Edwardsville, said she has wanted to go to a Kesha concert for a long time. Once she saw there was a concert near where she went to school, Bevis said she had to seize the opportunity.

"I have wanted to come to a Kesha concert since I was in the eighth grade and I found out my friends were going. The first time I met one of my friends, she told me she had already been to a Kesha concert," Bevis said. "Now I'm here with her. So, I'm very excited to be here.'

Bevis said she listened to Kesha all the time during junior high school.

"If I wanted to listen to something fun, I would always listen to Kesha," Bevis said. "I'm so excited. It still doesn't feel

During her performance, Kesha played crowd favorites including "Blow," "Take It Off" and "Tik Tok."

Although her concert was filled with lights, confetti and glitter, Kesha got personal with the crowd by showing her strong support of LGBTQ rights. One of the members of "The Creepies" waved

a rainbow flag and gave a short speech about the equality of all love.

Kesha was unable to play any of her new songs off the album "Warrior," or unreleased songs, which she said she had 75 of, because of an ongoing lawsuit with her producer over sexual assault and battery charges. During the concert, she thanked her fans for sticking by her through the last few, difficult years.

"Thank you guys for standing by me through all of this," Kesha said. "You guys are my f---ing everything."

Hugo Escobar, concert coordinator for the University Board, said he was pleased with how the concert turned out and is looking forward to helping with next

year's concert as well.

"I think it went really well. I think it went a lot better than we were expecting it to," Escobar said. "She got the chance to meet some of us and she was a really nice person."

Escobar said his favorite song by Kesha would have to be "Tik Tok."

"I was in high school when 'Tik Tok' came out and I thought it was one of the catchiest pop songs I had ever heard," Escobar said.

Escobar said ticket sales were something else he was pleased about.

We had about 2,400 tickets sold and max was about 3,000 so we were really excited," Escobar said. "Hopefully it keeps

Provost Candidate arrivi

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Sibdas Ghosh, dean of the School of Arts and Sciences at Iona College in New York, will be the final candidate to interview to be Eastern's new provost.

During his visit, there will be an open session for students to talk to him 1 p.m. Tuesday in the Arcola-Tuscola room of the Martin Luther King Jr. University Union, followed by a faculty

session at 2 p.m. in the same location.

The open session with staff will take place from 11:05 a.m. to 11:50 p.m. Wednesday in the Arcola-Tuscola room.

Ghosh earned his bachelor's in botany from the University of Calcutta in India. He then went to the United Kingdom to get a second bachelor's in plant physiology and biochemistry from the University of Lancaster. The University of Reading in the United Kingdom is where Ghosh got his

master's in crop physiology. After this, he traveled to Canada to get his PhD in molecular biology at the University of Waterloo, Canada.

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