



GUITAR BEGINNINGS CLASS AT MASON COMMUNITY ARTS ACADEMY

Welcome to Guitar Beginnings! We are glad you have chosen to start your musical journey with us at Mason Community Arts Academy. We will be playing the guitar from the first day of class, so it is important that you bring your own instrument with you at the very beginning. Some helpful tips are provided below.

For this class, your child will need:

- An appropriately sized acoustic guitar with nylon strings (best for beginners) – **take your child to a reputable music store with you to be sized.** Most students will need a ½ or ¾ size guitar. *Cost: \$80-150 to buy OR you can research rental options*
- A protective case (if not included with the guitar). *Cost: \$15-20*

Please do not order a guitar from the internet! Also, avoid mass-marketed “guitar packages” as these are often very poor quality instruments and will most likely frustrate your child rather than encourage them to continue.

Recommended Guitar Vendors:

Guitar Center
11051 Lee Hwy
Fairfax, VA 22030
(703) 934-8838
stores.guitarcenter.com/fairfax

Music & Arts
5735 Burke Centre Pkwy
Burke, VA 22015
(703) 764-1400
stores.musicarts.com/burke

Foxes Music Company
416 South Washington St.
Falls Church, VA 22046
(703) 533-7393
www.foxesmusic.com

If you have any questions, please contact the Mason Community Arts Academy Office at (703) 993-9889.