



Course title:

Classical guitar: beginners

Date: 9 May – 11 July 2012 (not 23 May)

Time: 6:30pm – 7:30pm

Number of Sessions: 9

Fee – full: £57

Fee – concession: £57

Tutor: Yvonne Bloor

Summary Description: Learn the basics of classical guitar playing in a friendly group setting with a strong emphasis on ensemble playing. No previous musical knowledge required but you will need to bring your own nylon-strung guitar, footstool and course book – please ask us for details. Suitable for beginners only.

Detailed Description: Learners will work from 'the Guitarist's Way' series of tutor books, starting with book one.

This is a series designed primarily for those taking their first steps in playing the guitar, either in small groups or as individuals.

Through a series of graded tunes and exercises book one leads to the playing of simple melodies on the top three strings, whilst developing a secure technique in both hands. A few bass notes are then introduced, followed by pieces which combine a melody with a simple bass accompaniment.

Throughout the four books of the series, many pieces can be combined to produce duets or ensemble items. This will help to develop the enjoyable and important skill of playing with other guitarists.

Please note:

Learners must provide their own nylon strung classical guitar, footstool and tutor book which is:

'The Guitarist's Way' Book one by Peter Nutall and John Whitworth.

Published by Holley Music and available at most music shops and on line and at Sheehan's Music Services.

Please also note: Steel strung folk guitars are NOT suitable.

Objectives/Outcomes:

The basics of guitar playing.

How to: Sit correctly; Read simple music notation; Play simple tunes; Play ensemble in a friendly group setting. Make new friends.

