

**Starts Wednesday  
11th January 2023**

**10am—12pm**

Classes will take place on 11, 18, 25 January  
and 1, 8 February 2023

**Fee : £65**

**Tutor : Brooks Williams**



If you have been meaning to learn guitar, please consider joining “Guitar For Beginners.” This 5-week course will introduce you the basics of guitar playing in a fun, supportive environment. We’ll learn songs, chords and a few strumming patterns. This is a hands on course with lots of playing and singing. All you need to get started is a playable and tuneable guitar.

#### COURSE NOTES: GUITAR FOR BEGINNERS

The goal of this course is to introduce the learner to guitar playing,

- How to hold and tune a guitar.
- How to play basic, first-position guitar chords
- How to ‘read’ lyric and chord guitar music and guitar TAB
- How to strum.
- How to play (‘keep time’) and sing in a group setting.

A further goal is to create a fun environment where we not only learn new songs and techniques, but also the pleasure of playing and singing music in a group setting.

Beginner Guitar is ideally suited for the player who has had no experience playing guitar. This course will start from the absolute beginning.

#### **What you need to bring to the first session**

- Guitar
- a spare set of strings,

#### **Additional costs**

None anticipated, but participant may choose to upgrade existing guitar, strings, plectrums, capos or tuner as a result of being in the workshop.

## About Your Tutor

### Brooks Williams

Brooks Williams is a professional musician with 30-plus years experience on the road and in the recording studio. A native of Statesboro, Georgia (USA) and now residing in Cambridge (UK), Williams is a leading light in the acoustic music community in both the UK and North America. He's also a well-respected teacher whose workshops are highly regarded. In addition to accolades from the media for his songs and recordings, in 2012 he received the South Cambridgeshire District Council Arts Award for his teaching in the local community. For more information, please visit: <http://www.brookswilliams.com/>

## How to book

You may enrol by:

- Phone: 01954 288751
- Email: [community@astreacottenham.org](mailto:community@astreacottenham.org)

Course fees are payable in full at the time of booking. Bookings and course fees must be made at least 5 working days before the start of the course.

## Ways to pay

- Payment can be taken by cheque, payable to Astrea Academy Trust or by credit/debit card in person at Cottenham Village College.
- Credit/debit card payments can be taken over the telephone on 01954 288751

Please note refunds can only be made if a class is cancelled or closed.

## Terms and Conditions

Full terms and conditions can be found on our website:  
<http://community.cvcweb.net/home/learner-information>

## Equalities Statement

The Trust operates an Equality of Opportunity Policy. We believe everyone is entitled to learn in an environment that is free from discriminatory behaviour so that we build a learning community based on mutual respect and trust. Please contact us in confidence to discuss any support you may need.