

Group Ukulele Syllabus

Welcome to San Pedro Ukulele, and congratulations on taking this huge step toward your own personal, totally epic *Rockstardom*! Please take a few moments to read this short letter outlining class structure to ensure that you and/or your student get the most out of this course.

Who is Mr Greg? Mr Greg is a 2006 alumni of the world-famous Berklee College of Music, a Professional Musician, and an Author in the field of Music Theory. Mr Greg has been teaching since 2003 and specializes in Guitar, Ukulele, Bass, and Songwriting. Mr Greg currently instructs Group Classes and Online Private Lessons for instruments other than ukulele and Music Theory/College Prep. If you would like more information on the aforementioned opportunities to further your and/or your student's music education or at any time have ANY questions, please do NOT hesitate to contact Mr Greg at SanPedroUkulele@Gmail.com.

When do Classes Start? Mr Greg only starts beginner's sessions in February. However, students with prior experience playing musical instruments are invited to try any of his classes at any time for no additional charge.

When and Where are Classes Held? Classes meet once a week on **Fridays at 5:30** for 45 minutes and are held in **Studio H at Angels Gate Cultural Center**, 3601 S. Gaffey St.

Tuition is \$85 per month but reduced to **\$79 if paid on time** (first Friday of every month). Monthly tuition is based on a 4-week month, meaning that tuition is always the same regardless of whether there are four or five Fridays in the month. However, when a month has five Fridays, Mr Greg will usually opt to take one of the Fridays off.

Prorating: Unfortunately, Mr Greg only prorates tuition under deal-breaker circumstances. This is due in part to minimize absences, which slow a group's progress overall, and to not complicate accounting. Thank you for understanding.

Payments may be hand delivered to Mr Greg in class in the form of cash or personal check made payable to: **"The Rock Band Experience", THANK YOU!**

* If paying in cash, please enclose 1. the exact amount 2. in a sealed envelope 3. with the student's name written on the outside of the envelope. If paying by check, please indicate the student's name in the check's memo section.

Book Fee: Mr Greg's very own *Totally Epic Island Jams for Your Inner Hawaiian* will be the core material for this class. The cost for this book is \$20.00 (cash or check) and is **due no later than the first class**. \$20 deposits submitted with enrollment forms cover book fee.

Types of Ukuleles: While exceptions can be made, most students (including left-handed students) will do well with a right-handed Soprano, Pineapple, Concert, or Tenor sized ukulele. Baritone sized ukuleles (not recommended) are tuned differently but will work for class if using a capo (a special clamp designed to change tuning).

Required At-Home Practice: In order to maintain the group's pace, Mr Greg requires all students to practice a MINIMUM of 15 minutes a day AT LEAST four days a week outside of class. Note: there is no substitution for daily regular practice, and some students may require additional time. Daily practice time may be broken up into three 5-minute sessions per day for those with busy schedules.

Make-Up Classes/Rescheduling: Unfortunately, due to the logistics involved in teaching group classes, Mr Greg can only schedule a make-up class in the event that HE is unable to make it to a scheduled class. However, Mr Greg does encourage students who miss a class or who would like a little extra help to email him to set up a video call during the week.

What Happens After This Session? Mr Greg DOES continue teaching year-round and students are encouraged to continue learning new songs in advanced groups - NOT repeating previously learned songs or beginner material.