

# Music A.S.



- ▶ Learn to understand the practical side of the music business as well as the creative side.
- ▶ Theoretical discussion mixed with hands-on performance techniques.
- ▶ New state-of-the-art music building with large and small practice rooms, performance areas and state-of-the-art equipment.

## Where will this degree take me?

After graduation, you may decide to apply your talents in the workplace immediately, or transfer to an undergraduate program at a four-year college. Our music students are routinely accepted at some of the country's most prestigious art schools, such as the Eastman School of Music, Ithaca College, SUNY Potsdam, SUNY Fredonia and Syracuse University. Career possibilities include orchestral or studio musician, composer, teacher, musicologist, musical therapist and instrument repair technician.

An appreciation of music is akin to an appreciation of life. Studying music at OCC is a great way to start your career in a variety of musical avenues, including performance, education, music industry and music therapy. It can also serve as a powerful catalyst for personal growth -- and isn't that what college is all about?



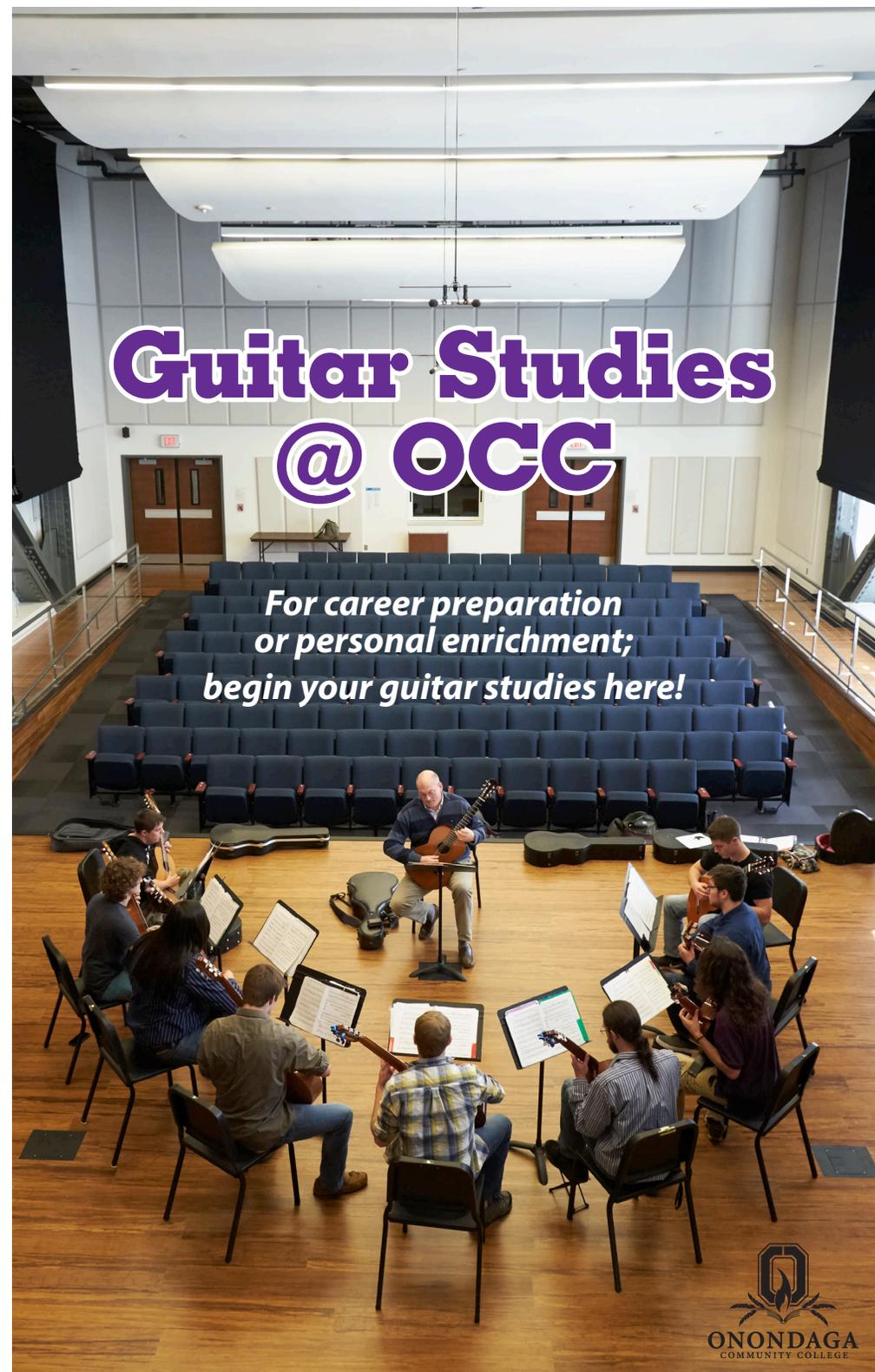
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of the required coursework,  
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# Guitar Studies @ OCC

**For career preparation  
or personal enrichment;  
begin your guitar studies here!**





*"Studying guitar at OCC was a transformative experience. The faculty did an excellent job of preserving the musician I was, while introducing me to a world of music I didn't know existed. I developed substantial preparedness for study at the next level."*

—Shane Bucci '16, Guitarist

### Ready to play?

OCC guitarists enjoy frequent performances. All classes present thrilling semester-culminating concerts. Our **Day of Guitar Festival** features international soloists, regional guitar professors, ensembles and a massive all-student guitar orchestra. Concerts and masterclasses feature professional guests including Marcin Dylla, Vladimir Gorbach and Gabriel Bianco.

Community performances include regional outreach concerts to area public schools, the annual **Van Duyn Dinner** concert and frequent collaborations with Syracuse University. Students also have the opportunity to perform live on local radio and television.

### Considering a music career?

OCC provides a solid foundation to academic and career success. Earn a degree or certificate and get your career started. OCC courses transfer to four-year schools and prepare students for entry-level music jobs.

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*"I do a wide range of work in NYC from concerts, Broadway shows, and studio work. Having a foundation in classical guitar is crucial to a working freelance guitarist. My time at OCC helped shape the player I am today."*

—Jeff Barone '90, Guitarist

### Planning to transfer?

Begin your studies at OCC then transfer to a four-year institution. Save money on the initial coursework, then, enjoy the prestige of a transfer school degree. Recent OCC graduates have gone on to earn degrees from SUNY Fredonia, SUNY Potsdam, Ithaca College, Syracuse University, the Mannes College of Music and the Eastman School of Music. They have won top honors including tuition scholarships and the Don and Mary Miller Outstanding Student in Guitar Award.

### Is guitar your passion but not profession?

OCC guitar courses welcome students of all ages and aspirations. Learn guitar for fun, minor in guitar while fulfilling other coursework or use your study towards a music minor at a transfer institution. OCC courses fulfill theory and appreciation requirements at area SUNY schools and provide preparation towards the required guitar jury.

### Worried about cost?

Apply for financial aid and scholarships. See the OCC website under "Menu," "Admission Process," and "Financial Aid" and "Scholarships." Assistance programs such as the **Onondaga Community Scholars Program** and **OCC Foundation Scholarships** can help reduce tuition costs.

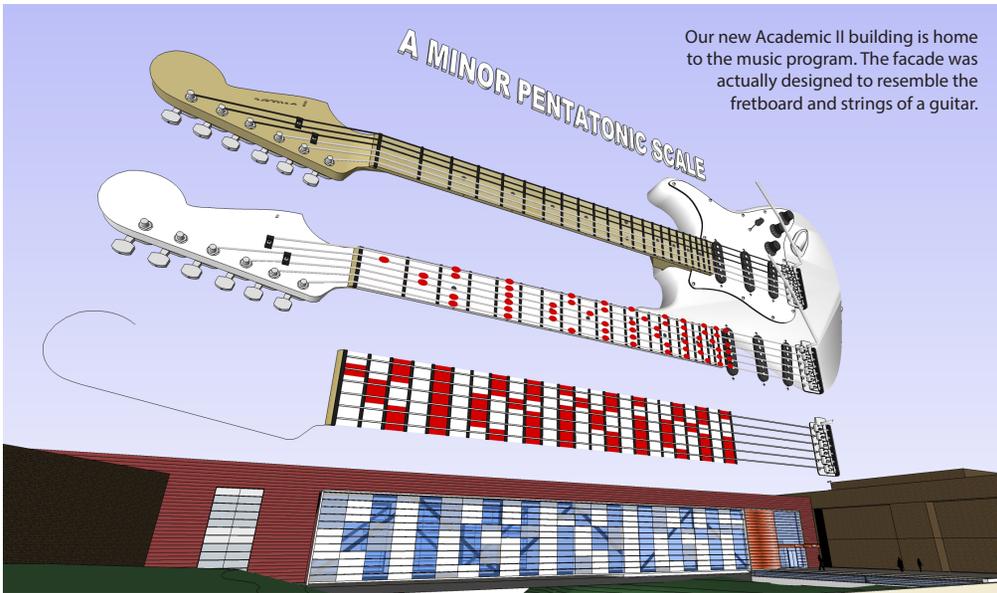
*"I have been performing, recording, and touring in Lionel Richie's band for 16 years and many times I am asked to perform or arrange music that was originally composed on other instruments. This can sometimes be difficult for guitarists but my training at OCC prepared me for these situations."*

—Ben Mauro, Guitarist, attended OCC 1993-1995



*"My time at Onondaga Community College prepared me to meet the challenges of higher education & has established a solid foundation for my musical career."*

—John Ferrara, Guitarist  
Director, Music School of CNY  
attended OCC 1992-1994



Our new Academic II building is home to the music program. The facade was actually designed to resemble the fretboard and strings of a guitar.

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