

# Devyn Dayton

## Guitar Instructor

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Devyn first became excited about music when she was in middle school, where she was a percussionist for her school band. She then decided to pick up the guitar, teaching herself how to play in a variety of styles, most notably rock and blues. After a couple of years of self teaching, she began taking contemporary guitar lessons under local musician and teacher, Mikey Marrero, and drum lessons under Music Quarters' very own, Justin Presley. Throughout her high school career, she was able to take advantage of several performance opportunities run by local music schools. She also began giving private music lessons at age 14 for both guitar and drums.

At 15, she began performing with the worship band at Southbrook Church, primarily as lead guitarist. She later interned as the band's drummer. Devyn also played guitar in her high school jazz band, for which she performed in several jazz competitions.

Upon graduating from high school, Devyn enrolled at Central Piedmont Community College where she recently completed her Associates in Fine Arts as a guitarist. While pursuing her education, she was hired by a local music school as a guitar instructor. In addition to learning music theory, performance techniques, practice skills, and piano, she studied classical guitar under applied music professor, James Eastepe. Throughout her time at CPCC, Devyn participated in multiple performances, both solo and as part of an ensemble, and continued to study contemporary guitar styles, including rock, blues, and jazz.

Devyn has since accepted a scholarship to Queens University of Charlotte where she will continue to pursue her undergraduates in Music Performance on classical guitar.

With Devyn's teaching experience, performance background and education credentials we are very excited to have her part of our guitar instructor staff at Music Quarters.