



## Top 10 Bay Area Music Teachers

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Whether you enjoy making music or just listening to it, it's one of life's major staples. Music has been around for arguably longer than religion; that's thousands of years! Some folks even link [learning music to higher intelligence](#). I won't make the claim that musicians are smarter than the rest of us, but they do have a skill and talent that is worth talking about. The music they create has the power to move people, and inspire a flurry of emotions that adjust from tune to tune.

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#1 Music Teacher in the Bay Area: [Rick Alegria](#)

As someone who is passionate about music, I thought I would write this post to highlight the top 10 music teachers in the Bay Area. This list includes [San Francisco](#), [Oakland](#), [Palo Alto](#), and [San Jose music instructors](#).

### Top 10 Bay Area Music Teachers:

1. [Rick Alegria – Drum Lessons](#)
2. [Vismaya Lhi – Voice Lesson Instruction](#)
3. [Harry Best – Steel Drum Pan Lessons](#)
4. [Nika Rejto – Flute Lessons](#)
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8. [Eric Hamilton – Expert Guitar Instruction](#)
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This is an official call out to all types of music teachers out there in the Bay Area. We have an amazing music community on TeachStreet, and always looking to add more musical diversity. If you have any friends or colleagues that teach music, please [refer them to TeachStreet](#) to promote their classes, for free!

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[harry best](#)

Thank you very much for putting me in the top ten. TeachStreet is in the search engines too. Students are calling. Keep up the good work.

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[GG Amos](#)

Hi Salar! I am sorry it took me so long to respond, but I was and am very surprised and honored to be on your top 10 list! Not sure how that happened...but I'll keep on trying to live up to the honor! I do love to teach and love my students ..they really are dedicated to guitar. And that's really what it takes for someone to learn a somewhat difficult instrument, especially in the beginning. Thank you Salar and thank you Teach Street!

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Thanks for the reply -- we're glad you like the post!

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[nika rejto](#)

Oh, thank you so much! What an honor. I'm sorry I didn't respond sooner but I've been so busy with out of town family....no excuse really!

Music does sooth the soul.

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**Salar**

Thanks for the comment, Eric. I can only imagine the feeling you are talking about. Music is a wonderful form of artistic expression and we're glad to have you in our community, teaching others how to develop that expression.

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**Eric Hamilton**

Very cool! Thank you so much for the vote of confidence. I'm thrilled to be included among such an esteemed pool of musicians and it really is an honor to contribute to the next generation of music makers. I thought it was a big accomplishment to perform and record music for a living, but passing the torch on to so many talented kids (of all ages!) in the Bay Area is an even greater thrill. Watching them perform on stage is better than being there myself!

- Eric Hamilton

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**Salar**

Thanks for the comment, Anne. Glad to have you as a wonderful resource in our music community. Also glad to hear that you're able to connect and network with some of your music colleagues through TeachStreet. Feel free to reach out to me if you have any questions or concerns. (salar@teachstreet.com)

Hopefully we'll meet you at one of the meetups we're sponsoring next week: (<http://blog.teachstreet.com/ho...>)

Salar

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**Anne Peterson**

Hi!

I am so delighted to be part of this list! Some others from the list have written to me, and vice versa. All are great folks! Music makes you appreciate other people and, really, everything. You can't help seeing how everything has to harmonize, in whatever way. Fun to discover how. --Anne Peterson

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