



**Old Time Music**  
**presents**  
**Chris Stuart**  
**bluegrass**  
**rhythm guitar &**  
**songwriting**  
**workshops**

**Sat, Sept 11**

**\$20 per workshop • \$30 for both**

• **10:30-12pm: Bluegrass Rhythm Guitar**

Even if you're a fancy flatpicker, 90% of what you play in a band or accompanying yourself will be rhythm. Chris will teach you the basics and beyond in this 90-minute workshop on bluegrass rhythm guitar. Learn fundamental picking patterns (boom-chuck to boom-a-chick-a), alternating bass strings, G-runs, runs in chord changes, kick-offs, how to back up other instruments, three-quarter time, accompanying yourself, and endings (including the essential upchuck ending).

**All levels welcome!**

*Chris Stuart is the rhythm guitar player and songwriter in his bluegrass band Chris Stuart & Backcountry and is a much requested teacher of rhythm guitar, songwriting and harmony singing with Janet Beazley at bluegrass camps such as the Augusta Heritage Workshop in West Virginia, the British Columbia Bluegrass Workshop, the California Bluegrass Association Bluegrass Camp, American River Acoustic Music Camp, and Sorefingers Bluegrass Week in the UK. He was co-writer of the International Bluegrass Music Association Song of the Year in 2009 and has had his songs covered by artists such as Claire Lynch, Dale Ann Bradley, Doyle Lawson, Bobby Osborne, Michael Cleveland, Danny Paisley & the Southern Grass, Larry Cordle, and others.*

• **1:30-3pm: Bluegrass Songwriting**

In this 90-minute workshop, Chris Stuart will concentrate on what makes a good bluegrass song. You can bring your own songs to be critiqued in class. Topics will include ballads, up-tempo songs, some modern bluegrass songs. Also, how to look for ideas, how to start writing a song, the forms of bluegrass songs, pitching to bluegrass artists, publishing, and collecting royalties. If you've been writing songs for years or have never written a song before, you will get something out of this workshop.

**Old Time Music**  
**2852 University Ave.**  
**San Diego, CA**  
**(619) 280-9035**  
[www.sdoldtimemusic.com](http://www.sdoldtimemusic.com)