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**Guitar Center media statement regarding West L.A. (128) and Gilroy (221), CA stores:**

As part of our ongoing business processes and after careful consideration, Guitar Center has made the decision to close retail storefronts in West Los Angeles and Gilroy, California, effective January 23, 2025.

Musicians near these locations can find help and support at any of our greater Los Angeles or Bay Area stores or through our website at [GuitarCenter.com](https://www.guitarcenter.com).

All area stores will accept returns and support customer purchases. In addition to our great musical retail selection, all our locations will continue to offer rental gear, repairs, and lessons in support of the music community in the area.

Guitar Center will continue retail operations as usual in its 300+ stores, and the first-class experience and services will remain unchanged.

Additionally, Guitar Center is set to expand its presence with new retail locations while continuing to optimize its store fleet nationwide. This initiative kicks off with the grand opening of our newly relocated store in Brooklyn, NY, on January 30, 2025.

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**About Guitar Center:**

Guitar Center is the leading retailer of musical instruments, lessons, repairs, and rentals in the U.S. With more than 300 stores across the U.S. and one of the top direct sales websites in the industry, Guitar Center has helped people make music for more than 50 years. Guitar Center also provides customers with various musician-based services, including Guitar Center Lessons, where musicians of all ages and skill levels can learn to play a variety of instruments in many music genres, GC Repairs, an on-site maintenance and repairs service, and GC Rentals, a program offering easy rentals of instruments and other sound reinforcement gear. Additionally, Guitar Center's sister brands include Music & Arts, which operates more than 250 stores specializing in band & orchestral instruments for sale and rental, serving teachers, band directors, college professors, parents and students, and Musician's Friend, a leading direct marketer of musical instruments in the United States. For more information about Guitar Center, please visit [guitarcenter.com](https://www.guitarcenter.com).

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