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Description

Students starting to learn playing classical guitar very often face the challenge of positioning their thumb in a proper position. The proper positioning and orientation of the thumb is crucial to facilitate the proper alignment of the hand and the fingers with respect to the neck and finger board of the guitar. Figure 1 shows the proper position and alignment of the thumb and the resulting alignment of the left hand on the neck of the guitar. Figure 2a and 2b show possible wrong positions of the thumb and the resulting incorrect alignment of the hand on the neck.

The device invented here is to guide the thumb into a specific position and alignment on the neck of the guitar. Figure 3 shows the application of the device where the thumb is guided into a specific position and the hand alignment follows naturally, which is a correct position for playing classical guitar.

Figure 4a, 4b, and 4c shows the device applied to the neck of the guitar viewed from the back, from the top, and from the front of the guitar respectively.

Claim

This application for a patent is for the protection of the idea, concept, and method of using a device attached to the neck of the guitar to guide and position the thumb of the left hand (or right hand for the case of a left handed person) into a specific position and alignment on the neck of the guitar. Figure 3 shows the concept of such a device made of model clay being applied on the neck of the guitar and functions to guide and position the thumb of the left hand into a specific position and alignment on the neck of the guitar.