

Salt Lake City Scene

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School of Rock Rolls

"Rock is dead they say, long live rock." - The Who, *Long Live Rock*



above: Ramones Show, May 2006

Students between the ages of 7 and 18. Their individual and group lessons aim at preparing them to perform.

Banish the image of 25 kids torturously strumming through *Stairway to Heaven*; this is serious business. After as little as 10 weeks, participants play at real rock concerts in real rock venues before real rock audiences. A pair of recent School of Rock alumni, Eric and Julie Slick, currently tour with Andrew Belew, former Frank Zappa and King Crimson guitarist.

Sessions are conducted spring, summer and fall. A two-week intensive day camp is also held each summer. While the schools are a great way to introduce a new generation to rock, Steve Auerbach, general manager of the Utah operations, thinks students learn lessons that go beyond the music.

"A lot of what we teach is self reliance, self determination and self respect," he said. "A lot of kids come in here insecure and scared to get on stage, and you should see the turnaround. It crosses over into every aspect of their life."

And you thought all kids today listened to bubble-gum pop and hip-hop. The Paul Green School of Rock is "saving rock music, one kid at a time."

Check out their concert schedule. You just might see a future superstar. ■

To borrow from Mark Twain, news of rock 'n' roll's death has been greatly exaggerated. Nowhere is this more apparent than at the Paul Green School of Rock Music, where a whole new generation is learning what it takes to be a rock star—everything from *Smoke on the Water* to Mick Jagger-like stage presence.

The inspiration for Jack Black's film of the same name, the first School of Rock was founded in Philadelphia in 1998. Since then more than 17 branches have opened, including those in Salt Lake City and nearby Sandy, Utah. The Utah schools currently have more than 130

Catch a Rising Star:

REMEMBER YOUR MUSICAL PAST while celebrating its future by catching the eager musicians from The Paul Green School of Rock Music in their spring concert series.

Locations for the concerts were undetermined at press time, but the venues better have a sturdy foundation. These young rockers will bring down the house with a collection of all-time great rock 'n' roll hits. From The Beatles to Black Sabbath, with plenty in between, the School of Rock musicians are sure to impress even the most ardent classic rock fan.

The Paul Green School of Rock Music spring concert schedule:

Salt Lake Branch

April 20-21 - Black Sabbath
April 27-28 - Judas Priest vs. Iron Maiden
May 4-5 - The Beatles
May 11-12 - David Bowie

Sandy Branch

April 27-28 - The Doors
May 4-5 - Aerosmith
May 18-19 - Progressive Rock



FULL STAGE BOY ROCKING: STEVE AUERBACH, THE PAUL GREEN SCHOOL OF ROCK MUSIC