

## Visit to Archetier in France

–Heather Wilson



I recently visited with bow maker Coen Engelhard on his farm very near Sieuras in southern France, where he makes acacia wood bows using hair from the farm's horses. Coen and I had the most wonderful conversation for a few hours. His bows, made for violin, cello, viols, violone, etc., are simple, and beautiful; I will be using some to play while I am nearby in Toulouse.

**He will be bringing some to the Berkfest in June.**

If you would like him to bring a special bow to Berkeley, please email him directly - [coenengelhard@gmail.com](mailto:coenengelhard@gmail.com).



On his website, read his Recent Posts- Fascinating stuff!

<https://renaissanceviolbows.com>

*"[My bows] have a nice articulation and a direct, focused sound emission, are stable on the string and pleasurable to hold. They pair perfectly with Renaissance model instruments, but can also lend agility and a more appropriate sound to earlier repertory on a more baroque-style instrument."*

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## Pacifica Viols 2017-18 Play Days

- Sept. 9, 2017: **Adiaha MacAdam-Somer**
- Oct. 14, 2017: **David Morris**
- Nov. 11, 2017: **Mary Springfels**
- Dec. 9, 2017: **Frances Blaker**
- Jan. 13, 2018: **Shira Kammen**
- Feb. 24, 2018: **Stanford Viol Workshop**
- Mar. 10, 2018: **Loren Ludwig**
- Apr. 14, 2018: **Julie Jeffrey**
- May 12, 2018: **Yukimi Kambe**
- **July 14, 2018: Members' Annual Bash-  
NOTE BASH DATE CHANGE!**

**Mark your calendar!**