

## violin by Lois Bourgon



I have been painting for over ten years and have studied with Barbara Brown, Nina Walker, Lyuba Titovets, and Julie Ford Oliver all local excellent teachers. Many workshops in Cloudcroft and at the Peninsula Art School in Door County Wisconsin filled my summers. I love the classroom environment and interacting with other students. I am delighted to support EPSO in this unique fund raiser.

When I was a child my mother had a sad old broken violin hanging on the wall with an ivy growing out of a opening between the f holes. I was fascinated and she showed me how she had inserted a can in the opening where the ivy was planted and it thrived there. She is gone now but this is a homage to a woman who could grow plants anywhere..... even in a violin.

*Violin photographed by Carlos D. Luevano*