Wish You Were Here: David Cheifetz

When did you live in the Bay Area, and what brought you here?

We lived in Palo Alto from 2011 to 2014 for my wife's career. I can work wherever there's a garage or a basement, so I was along for the ride.

What prompted you to leave?

Shortly after the birth of our first child, we had the desire to return to western Washington, where we both grew up and where we met.

Where did you end up?

We have settled in Olympia, WA.

Has your artwork changed or evolved since you left the Bay Area?

My paintings have gotten better as I continue to experiment, doubt, fumble, occasionally despair, and occasionally rejoice--as is the artist's wont....and prerogative! :)

What are you up to now?

I'm gradually improving the balance between painting with parenting, and am more patient with myself in regards to both. I feel that my art is perpetually on the edge of rebirth, which is a good state of being.