

# Art Guild hosts guest speaker

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Oklahoma Artist Jim Baker, of Fine Art America will be the speaker at the 2017 Art Guild kick off meeting at 6 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 19 at the Chisholm Trail Heritage Center, located at 1000 Chisholm Trail Parkway, in Duncan. Admission to the event is free and all are welcome. Baker's topic will be "Why to Paint." He is bringing a collection of his art work and using it to illustrate portions of his talk.



*Jim Baker*

Baker has received more than 33 first prizes and best-of show awards.

His work has been presented in many museums, including the Chisholm Trail Heritage Center. President of the Art Guild, Jan Cole said Baker was selected for the Art Guild's membership drive because he has had a great deal of commercial success. "His story of how he started as an artist and how he markets his artwork will be of interest to many," she said.

Art Guild meetings are free and open to the public, but joining the Duncan Art Guild not only supports local arts, but also provide benefits for members. Membership dues are \$20 for individuals and \$35 for couples.