

Artist Bio

Jim Baker is a Vancouver Island-based artist who has been captivated by the natural beauty of the region's forests for over 35 years. With his signature style of bold brushstrokes and a vibrant yet balanced palette, he creates vivid interpretations of the forests that showcase their unique character.

Jim's journey as an artist began with his studies at Sheridan College and The Ontario College of Art. Despite pursuing other interests, such as becoming a journeyman carpenter and triathlete, Jim's passion for painting never waned. He explored Vancouver Island by hiking and camping, as well as sailing its coastal waters. He also raised three sons as their primary caregiver, all while continuing to create art. Jim's unwavering dedication to his craft even led him to wake up at 3 am to paint before heading to work at construction sites.

In his latest collection of paintings, Jim channels his concern for the global water crisis into his art. With increasing water shortages and contaminated supplies, he hopes to remind viewers of the vital role water plays in our lives. Through his paintings, he draws attention to the beauty and importance of water and reminds us that water is too valuable to be taken for granted.