

Founding Family

Deborah Barnard

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Deborah Barnard is the co-owner of Barnard Griffin Winery. Rob and Deborah initially met while undergrads at the University of California, Davis, and reconnected years later when Deborah was earning her Master's Degree in Healthcare Administration at the University of Washington. They married in 1980, and Deborah worked in hospital administration until 1996 when the growing winery needed her full-time attention.

With an eye for design and color composition, Deborah started working with fused glass in 2007, later establishing db Studio at Barnard Griffin, a state-of-the-art glass fusing studio, in 2012. Deborah is the resident artist at db Studio and has stunning installations at the winery as well as at the Tri-City Visitor and Convention Bureau, the WSU Wine Science Center, and the Hope Lodge in Salt Lake City.

When not in the glass studio, Deborah stays involved with organizations close to her heart, including the American Cancer Society, where she was Chair of the Great West Division Board. She is also involved in the Tri-City Chaplaincy, TRIDEC, Visit Tri-Cities, and as a founding board member of the Tri-Cities Wine Tourism Council.