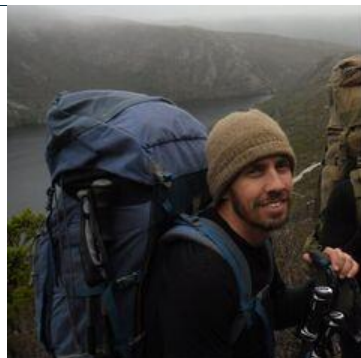


Tamar Valley Steiner School Board



Darren Green

Darren currently holds the position of **Chair** on the School Board

Darren obtained a double degree in Environmental Management and Ecotourism as well as a Diploma in Project Management and numerous professional development qualifications. Darren is currently working as a Senior Environmental Advisor at TasWater but have also previously practiced Environmental Management with a local Natural Resource Management Association as well as the Environment Protection Authority in South Australia.

Prior to professional employment Darren has worked in a variety of industries both interstate and overseas. From a personal perspective, his interests include bushwalking, packrafting, music, building, carpentry and self-sufficiency.



Karina Stojansek

Karina currently holds the position of **Treasurer** on the School Board.

Karina is the longest serving member of our School Board, having been re-elected in 2019 for a further 3 year term. She has been involved with the Launceston Friends of Steiner Inc playgroup for over 10 years, since her first child was 6 months old. She served on the committee for two years and believes passionately in Steiner Education, incorporating many Steiner philosophies into her everyday life.



Karina is on, and has served on, several committees over the past 20 years in positions such as President, Treasurer and Secretary. With extensive senior management experience in small to medium business, most recently as General Manager of a state-wide training company, she is also a Councillor in the Launceston City Council.



Karina studied a Bachelor of Commerce at the University of




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	<p>Tasmania and has skills in finance, human resource management and business operations. Karina has a passion for building community and believes strongly in the importance of family, health and living a sustainable lifestyle.</p>
	<p>Annie Ball</p> <p>Annie was the principal at TVSS for 3 years, resigning to spend more time with her family.</p> <p>She has returned to the school community at a board level to give guidance in a pedagogical and advisory capacity. We are so happy to have her back again!</p>
	<p>Michelle Stocks</p> <p>Having recently retired from a leadership position at a local private school Michelle is interested in continuing to contribute to the provision of quality education in my home community. During her teaching career, she was fortunate to work in three states, across both the public and private educational sectors, which has enabled her to develop knowledge, skills and insights that is helpful in working on the TVSS Board.</p> <p>Several of the schools that Michelle has worked in had very clear educational visions that were based on the holistic development of young people - socially, emotionally, and academically. The last school she worked at in Sydney was an International Baccalaureate school and its inquiry-based pedagogical approach and global outlook has some similarity to the Steiner philosophy.</p>
	<p>Gareth Shapiro</p> <p>Gareth went to a Steiner school up until year 8. He grew up around many Steiner enthusiasts, including his parents.</p> <p>Gareth's mum was a curative Eurythmist. Knowing many people who were highly regarded within the Steiner community personally, while too young to express it, he noticed that for all their high ideals, sometimes in their personal lives things fell very short.</p> <p>It's with this background that Gareth approach the Steiner</p>

	<p>institution with a high degree of caution, as opposed to much of Steiner's philosophy which has helped him hugely throughout his life. It was these human examples that have helped to distil out where the relative importance of things lies in relation to the Steiner philosophy and being human.</p>
	<p>Emma Reed</p> <p>Emma Currently holds the position of Secretary on the School Board.</p> <p>Currently a full-time parent and part-time art student at UTAS, Emma has two children at TVSS. Emma's formal education is in Human Development, Psychology, and Community Development, she understands the importance of creating a stable, safe and nourishing environment for children. She has worked extensively with boards and councils in the areas of forward-thinking governance, strategic planning and community engagement. Emma is adept at working with and developing policies and has experience working within a curriculum framework.</p> <p>Emma's belief in the Steiner pedagogy saw her involvement at TVSS begin in 2017 with her and her eldest child attending the Rainbow Garden Playgroup. She is keen to ensure TVSS thrives and actively gives her time and skills to the school.</p>
	<p>Skye Gibson</p> <p>Skye draws on a wealth of experience in the field of education. She taught Visual Arts and ESL for many years, both in Australia and abroad, and has worked in education research for almost a decade. Her research experience includes project management, editorial management, writing research papers, and working with teachers, principals and students to learn and write about their personal stories and their communities. She holds a Bachelor of Art Education and a Master of Art Administration.</p> <p>Skye's family has been involved with the school since 2021, when her son started kindy. She is actively involved in the TVSS community and loves opportunities to bring people together for both collaboration and celebration. Skye is passionate about</p>

	<p>the Steiner philosophy and education, healing ourselves to heal humanity, and creating a vision for a beautiful future. She holds the belief that anything is possible, especially when we work together. Skye would love to see TVSS continue to grow and become a visionary model of education for the broader community.</p>
	<p>Nadja Bjork</p> <p>Nadja started her first business at age 17 and has since been part of the Start-up Community in Sweden for many years. She has an education in Business Economics and a passion for mentorship, new companies and community that can impact the change we want to see in the world today.</p> <p>She enjoys being a mum to an almost 6 year old girl at Steiner, building an off-grid home and spending her time in nature, doing yoga or with handicraft projects.</p>