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**WHAT DIFFERENTIATES YOU FROM OTHER INTERIOR DESIGNERS?**

I have an art background and a degree from the prestigious design school FIDM, Los Angeles, which includes architectural drafting training. I also grew up working in my family's Pennsylvania construction business, so I understand building at a core level and feel at home on project sites. I love getting my hands dirty while blending the beauty of design with the nuts, bolts, dust and mortar of the building trades.

**DESCRIBE YOUR CLIENTS.**

I have been fortunate to work with extraordinary clients over the years with diverse lifestyles, backgrounds, cultures and project styles, including traditional, transitional, contemporary, earth-friendly and horse properties. From young families, aging-in-place adults and clients with multiple residences to single professionals, each one has provided me with a unique design adventure. My greatest compliment is when a client becomes a friend, as many have.

**WHAT IS THE PHILOSOPHY OF YOUR COMPANY, AND HOW DOES THAT INFLUENCE THE WAY YOU PRACTICE YOUR CRAFT?**

"Challenge the ordinary and lead with your heart." Every project is a fresh, new canvas for me to tell my clients' stories. Since I approach life in general with my heart at the helm, I defy standard business practices by taking that approach with my craft. In doing so, I enjoy a spirited heart connection with my work and the people I work with.

**DESCRIBE THE PROJECT YOU FEATURED.**

This is a completely remodeled ocean-front rustic modern home in Palos Verdes Estates. The floor plan of the house remained the same, though a kitchen wall was removed to open it to the dining and living room. Materials and finishes were updated to include Brazilian quartz kitchen countertops complemented by an intricate water jet-fabricated marble and glass backsplash, imported limestone overlaid on red brick walls, a blend of travertine patterns in the master bath and a hand-cut, floral glass tile feature wall in the powder room. Salvageable deconstructed materials were donated to Habitat for Humanity.

**TELL US ABOUT YOUR FIRM AND THE SERVICES YOU OFFER.**

Diane Barber Designery is a full-service design studio specializing in redesign, remodels and new construction with an environmental eye on repurposing. From initial planning through installation, clients are an integral part of the process to ensure that the completed project mirrors their personality and unique lifestyle. With great attention to detail and a reputation for excellence at interfacing with architects, builders, subcontractors and suppliers, I oversee the design process from start to finish. I tip my hat to the talented industry professionals who work alongside me to transform my creative visions into beautiful timeless designs.



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