





# KIM BARNES ARICO

**Head Coach • Montclair State '93  
Tenth Year At St. John's**

In 2011-12, Kim Barnes Arico enters her 10th season at the helm of the St. John's University women's basketball program. In what has become one of the remarkable turnarounds in the BIG EAST and the nation, she has catapulted the Red Storm onto the national scene, returning the program to the NCAA Tournament for the first time in nearly two decades and leading the squad to some of its most successful seasons in school history.

The Barnes Arico Era at St. John's officially began on May 7, 2002, as she was named the seventh head coach in the then 28-year history of the women's basketball program. Since then, she has put heart and determination back into the St. John's women's basketball team, and has the program on track to be a conference and national force.

After taking over a program that finished 3-24 overall (0-16 in the BIG EAST) the year before she arrived, Barnes Arico orchestrated the resurgence of St. John's women's basketball and restored respect for a program that had been historically rich in tradition. Her second-year squad returned to the BIG EAST Tournament field after missing the previous two, and Barnes Arico was named the Basketball Coaches Association of New York Division I Women's Coach of the Year after leading St. John's to a postseason berth (WNIT) for the first time in 17 years in 2004-05. In just her fourth year with the program, Barnes Arico garnered BIG EAST and MBWA Coach of the Year honors, after leading the Red Storm to a 22-8 overall record, a national ranking and its first appearance in the NCAA Tournament since 1987-88.

Almost a decade later, her accomplishments speak for themselves: four 20-win seasons, three NCAA Tournament berths and victories, three WNIT appearances with five WNIT wins, eight consecutive trips to the BIG EAST Tournament and an infusion of energy into the women's basketball program that has been felt by both the University and athletic communities.

Barnes Arico's expertise and passion have paid dividends in her nine seasons at St. John's, and the benefits have been long-reaching. The turnaround proved to the basketball world what St. John's already knew -- Barnes Arico and her staff had the ability to put St. John's back on the map. Barnes Arico was at the helm when the University opened Taffner Field House in 2005, a state-of-the-art basketball practice facility. She also led St. John's in its first-ever women's basketball game in Madison Square Garden. Since then, the Red Storm has played seven home contests in "The World's Most Famous Arena."



Head coach Kim Barnes Arico with husband Larry Arico, and children Cecelia, Emma and Trevor (L to R).

## THE BARNES ARICO FILE

<b>Full Name</b>	Kimberly Barnes Arico
<b>Birthplace</b>	Mastic Beach, N.Y.
<b>Family</b>	Husband, Larry Arico, Athletic Director/ Head Football Coach, Marist High School Son, Trevor (10) Daughters, Emma (6), and Cecelia (3)
<b>High School College</b>	William Floyd High School Stony Brook University (1988-89) Montclair State University '93

Recently highlighting her illustrious career was the 2009-10 campaign, as Barnes Arico led the Red Storm to one of its most successful seasons in history. St. John's posted 25 wins on the year, the most in 27 years, and posted 12 conference wins, tripling its total from the previous season and tying a program-record. Finishing tied for fourth in the conference, Barnes Arico guided the Red Storm to its biggest win in program history, a 76-71 victory over then-No. 4/3 Notre Dame, the first-ever program victory over a top five team. For her efforts, she earned her second Division I Metropolitan Basketball Writer's Association Coach of the Year award and was named the Basketball Coaches Association of New

# HEAD COACH KIM BARNES ARICO



York Statewide Coach of the Year for the second time.

Barnes Arico followed up that historic season with the 2010-11 campaign, when she led the Red Storm to its second-straight and sixth overall NCAA Tournament berth. She became the first St. John's coach to take the Red Storm to back-to-back NCAA Tournament appearances since 1983 and 1984. Barnes Arico continued to boast a perfect record in First Round games, always advancing the Red Storm to the Round of 32, for the third time in three appearances. With a 22-11 record, St. John's celebrated its second-straight 20-win season, the fourth of Barnes Arico's tenure. She is only the second coach to have four 20-win seasons at St. John's. With a 72-63 victory over Pittsburgh (Feb. 26, 2011), Barnes Arico marked her 150th win in the St. John's record book, becoming just the second St. John's women's basketball coach to reach the mark. She enters her 10th season with a 152-124 (.551) at St. John's and 246-196 (.557) overall as a head coach.

During the two seasons, the Red Storm was ranked for 16-straight weeks in the Associated Press Poll; with its highest 2010-11 ranking at No. 17 on Dec. 27. In the ESPN/Coaches Poll, St. John's was ranked for 18-straight weeks and was ranked in both polls through the end of the season. Barnes Arico's 2009-10 Red Storm finished ranked No. 15 in the Associated Press Poll, tying a program record for highest ranking.

In 2008-09, the first proof of Barnes Arico's transformed program was evident as she inked her first Top 10 recruiting class. She went on to register her 100th

program victory, a milestone achieved by only three other coaches at St. John's. She finished the year with the third-most career wins among all Red Storm women's basketball coaches. Additionally, she coached Da'Shena Stevens to BIG EAST Freshman of the Year honors, marking only the second time in history a St. John's player garnered the award.

In 2009-10, Barnes Arico guided Stevens to State Farm and Associated Press All-America Honorable Mention honors in addition to MBWA Player of the Year accolades. Barnes Arico also led then-freshman guard Nadirah McKeith to become a final eight candidate for the 2009-10 Nancy Lieberman Award, and coached then-freshman guard Shenneika Smith to *Full Court Press* Freshman All-America honors. Stevens earned First

Team All-BIG EAST honors, while Smith and McKeith were named to the BIG EAST All-Freshman Team. McKeith was also selected as the recipient of the Marianne Noonan Memorial Award. Then-senior Joy McCorvey was named a member of the prestigious St. John's University's President's Society and was a candidate for the Lowe's Senior CLASS Award.

Barnes Arico recorded her 200th-career win as a head coach with an 89-52 victory over Stony Brook on Nov. 21, 2010.

Under Barnes Arico's guidance, both Stevens and Smith earned both 2010-11 preseason and postseason All-BIG EAST honors as well, and continued to bring St. John's into the national spotlight as the duo were named to the Naismith Trophy Award's preseason watch list.

Prior to arriving at St. John's, Barnes





Arico achieved a great deal of success in three seasons as the head coach at Division II Adelphi, leading the Panthers to three-consecutive postseason appearances. During that time, her teams turned in a 65-24 overall mark (.730), including a 28-win season in 2001-02, a season in which she guided the Panthers to their first NCAA Tournament bid since 1987.

In what would be her final season at the school, Adelphi won its first-ever New York Collegiate Athletic Conference (NYCAC) Championship and advanced to the Sweet Sixteen of the NCAA Tournament, posting a 28-3 record along the way. After starting the season with 21-consecutive wins, the team earned its first national ranking in school history, finishing with a final ranking of No. 12. Barnes Arico was named NYCAC, NIT/ Metropolitan Basketball Writers Division

II and Nassau County Sports Commission Outstanding Female Coach of the Year.

In 2000-01, Adelphi finished the regular season tied for second in the NYCAC with a 19-11 record. The Panthers headed to their second-straight Eastern College Athletic Conference tournament, where they finished second.

In her first season at Adelphi, Barnes Arico guided her team to an 18-10 record, tying the program high for wins in a season. She used her fundamental style to lead the Panthers to their first postseason berth, qualifying for the ECAC Tournament. For her work, Barnes Arico was honored as the 2000 NYCAC Coach of the Year.

In addition to her coaching duties, Barnes Arico served as an assistant athletic director and the academic liaison for student-athletes at Adelphi. She also served as a member of the NCAA Division

II Northeast Regional Selection Committee and the ECAC Advisory Committees.

Barnes Arico began her head coaching career in 1996 at Fairleigh Dickinson-Madison, a Division III university in New Jersey. In her only season with the Devils, she led FDU to a 13-11 overall record.

Barnes Arico moved on to the New Jersey Institute of Technology, where she directed a program making the transition from Division III to Division II. After going 5-21 during the 1997-98 season, the Highlanders finished 11-16 the following year. The turnaround earned NJIT a sixth-place finish in the NYCAC and Barnes Arico New Jersey Coach of the Year honors.

A native of Mastic Beach, N.Y., Barnes Arico helped lead Stony Brook University to the 1989 NCAA Division III tournament as a freshman.

Barnes Arico spent her final three

## BARNES ARICO'S COACHING RECORDS

Year	School	Record	Conf.	Finish	Postseason
1996-97	FDU-Madison	13-11	5-7	5th	
1997-98	NJIT	5-21	3-17	10th	
1998-99	NJIT	11-16	10-12	6th	NYCAC Tournament
1999-00	Adelphi	18-10	16-6	4th	ECAC Tournament
2000-01	Adelphi	19-11	15-5	3rd	ECAC Tournament Runner-Up
2001-02	Adelphi	28-3	20-2	1st	NCAA Tournament Sweet Sixteen
2002-03	St. John's	8-19	2-14	14th	
2003-04	St. John's	10-18	4-12	11th	BIG EAST Tournament
2004-05	St. John's	20-11	7-9	T-6th	WNIT Second Round
2005-06	St. John's	22-8	11-5	T-3rd	NCAA Tournament Second Round
2006-07	St. John's	8-20	4-12	12th	BIG EAST Tournament
2007-08	St. John's	18-15	7-9	10th	WNIT Quarterfinals
2008-09	St. John's	19-15	4-12	13th	WNIT Third Round
2009-10	St. John's	25-6	12-4	4th	NCAA Tournament Second Round
2010-11	St. John's	22-11	9-7	T-7th	NCAA Tournament Second Round



# HEAD COACH KIM BARNES ARICO

years of eligibility at Montclair State University, serving as captain during her junior and senior campaigns. As the Red Hawks leading scorer, she guided the team to back-to-back ECAC tournament appearances in 1990 and 1991. A Montclair State scholar-athlete, she graduated in 1993 with a bachelor's degree in physical education and health.

In September 2007, she was inducted into William Floyd High School's Athletic Hall of Fame as a member of the inaugural class. In April 2011, she was once again honored by her alma mater as a Distinguished Alumna.

Barnes Arico was a member of the prestigious Kodak All-American Selection Committee for four years, serving from 2006-09. In 2010-11, Barnes Arico served her first year on the NCAA Regional Advisory Committee as the BIG EAST Conference representative. During the 2011-12 season, Barnes Arico will serve as the President of the BIG EAST Women's Basketball Coaches Association, while continuing her role as an NCAA Regional Advisor.

Barnes Arico and her husband, Larry Arico, the athletic director and head football coach at Marist High School, reside in Glen Rock, N.J. They have a son, Trevor (10), and two daughters, Emma (6), and Cecelia (3). In addition to her coaching duties with St. John's, Barnes Arico serves as the head coach to her son's youth travel basketball team. In 2011, she was featured on the McDonald's Channel series, "Mighty Moms" as she caught national attention for her dual role as a coach and mother.



## THE BARNES ARICO TIMELINE

1988-89

### **Stony Brook University**

- Starting guard as a freshman
- Division III NCAA Tournament (1989)

1989-93

### **Montclair State University**

- Three-year letterwinner
- Captain and leading scorer (1991-92, 1992-93)
- Montclair State Scholar Athlete (1993)

1993-94

### **Academy of Saint Aloysius, Jersey City, N.J.**

- Physical Education and Health Teacher

1994-96

### **Chatham High School, Chatham, N.J.**

- Physical Education and Health Teacher

1996-97

### **FDU-Madison, Madison, N.J.**

- Head Coach

1997-99

### **New Jersey Institute of Technology, Newark, N.J.**

- Head Coach
- NYCAC Tournament (1999)

1999-02

### **Adelphi University, Garden City, N.Y.**

- Head Coach
- ECAC Tournament (2000)
- ECAC Tournament Finals (2001)
- NYCAC Champions (2002)
- NCAA Tournament Sweet 16 (2002)
- NIT/MBWA Division II Coach of the Year (2002)
- Nassau County Sports Commission Outstanding Female Coach of the Year (2002)

2002-Present

### **St. John's University, Queens, N.Y.**

- Head Coach
- BIG EAST Coach of the Year (2006)
- MBWA Coach of the Year (2006, 2010)
- NCAA Tournament (2006, 2010, 2011)
- WNIT (2005, 2008, 2009)
- BIG EAST Tournament (2004 - 2011)
- Basketball Coaches Assoc. of New York Statewide Coach of the Year (2005, 2010, 2011)
- Four 20-win seasons (2005, 2006, 2010, 2011)
- Featured speaker at Howard Garfinkel's "Clinic to End All Clinics"
- 2011-12 BIG EAST Women's Basketball Coaches Association President
- Served on the NCAA Regional Advisory Committee (2010-present)



## TEAM ACHIEVEMENTS

### ST. JOHN'S UNIVERSITY

#### 2010-11

- Second-straight NCAA Tournament berth; advanced to the Second Round for the second-consecutive year
- Second-straight 20-win season, fourth of Barnes Arico's tenure
- Ranked 16-consecutive weeks in the Associated Press Poll and 18-straight weeks in ESPN/USA Today Coaches' Poll (including the 2009-10 season)
- 15-largest increase in attendance per game in the nation
- Eighth-consecutive BIG EAST Tournament appearance
- Had two players on major national award watch lists: Da'Shena Stevens & Shenneika Smith (Naismith Award Preseason Candidates)
- Individual postseason honors included: Stevens & Smith as All-BIG EAST players and all-Met first and second team selection.

#### 2009-10

- Second Round appearance in NCAA Tournament
- First AP All-America selection in Da'Shena Stevens (Honorable Mention), and a *Full Court Press* All-Freshman All-American Second Team selection in Shenneika Smith
- Had two players on major national award watch lists: Da'Shena Stevens (Naismith Award Midseason Candidate), Nadirah Mckenith (Nancy Lieberman Award Top 8 Finalist)
- Individual postseason honors included: Da'Shena Stevens – All-Met MBWA Player of the Year, BIG EAST All-Conference First Team and winner of Victoria Porter MVP Award, Shenneika Smith – BIG EAST All-Freshman Team, All-Met Second Team, Nadirah Mckenith – BIG EAST All-Freshman Team
- Ranked for seven-consecutive weeks in the Associated Press Top 25 to end season at the highest ranking in school history, No. 15
- Ranked for eight-straight weeks in ESPN/USA Today Coaches' Poll, ending at No. 18, ranked as high as No. 16
- Seven-straight weeks in both top 25 polls set a new program-record
- Seventh-consecutive BIG EAST Tournament appearance
- 25-7 overall record (13-1 at home), tied program-best
- 12-4 BIG EAST record, also tied program-best
- Defeated then-No. 4/3 Notre Dame for first program victory over a top five opponent (Feb. 16, 2010)

#### 2008-09

- BIG EAST Tournament appearance
- Third WNIT Appearance
- St. John's second-ever BIG EAST Freshman of the Year selection with Da'Shena Stevens
- Recorded 100th program victory with 89-84 win over Seton Hall (Feb. 1, 2009)

#### 2007-08

- BIG EAST Tournament appearance
- WNIT Quarterfinals
- Defeated then-No. 9 Notre Dame for program's second win in history over the Fighting Irish

#### 2006-07

- BIG EAST Tournament appearance
- Defeated then-No. 21 Pittsburgh on the road for a victory over a ranked opponent for the second year in a row

#### 2005-06

- 22-8 overall record
- Second-consecutive 20-win season
- Second Round appearance in NCAA Tournament
- First national ranking since 1984-85
- Qualified for BIG EAST Tournament

#### 2004-05

- First 20-win season in 16 years
- Second-round appearance in WNIT
- Qualified for BIG EAST Tournament

#### 2003-04

- Qualified for BIG EAST Tournament

#### 2002-03

- More than doubled win total from previous season

### ADELPHI UNIVERSITY

#### 2001-02

- 28-3 overall record
- New York Collegiate Athletic Conference Champions
- Started season with 21-game win streak
- Earned first national ranking in school history
- Finished season with final ranking of No. 12
- Final Northeast ranking of No. 2
- Team earned first NCAA Tournament bid since 1987
- Advanced to Sweet Sixteen of NCAA Division II Tournament

#### 2000-01

- 19-11 overall record
- Advanced to the finals of the ECAC Tournament

#### 1999-00

- 18-10 overall record
- Tied record for wins in a season with 18
- Qualified for the ECAC Tournament

### NEW JERSEY INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY

#### 1997-99

- Doubled win total from previous season
- Finished sixth in the conference
- Qualified for the NYCAC Tournament

### FAIRLEIGH DICKINSON UNIVERSITY-MADISON

#### 1996-97

- Led team to a 13-11 record in first season