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WEDNESDAY, APRIL 21, 2021
FEATURING RUSSELL SMITHYMAN

"Innovations in Viticulture: A Washington Industry Perspective"

Dr. Russell Smithyman received his Ph.D. in horticulture from Washington State University, and his M.S. in horticulture from Michigan State University. Most recently he led the Ste. Michelle Wine Estates' viticulture team in Prosser, WA serving as Director of Viticulture for the past fourteen years. Prior to this, he held the position of Research Viticulturist and then Director of Research at Ste. Michelle. His research interests include irrigation management, vine stress management, vineyard mechanization, varietal and clonal evaluation, and precision viticulture. Dr. Smithyman is dedicated to supporting research and education. He frequently lectures at universities and industry seminars and has reviewed manuscripts and proposals for the American Journal of Enology and Viticulture, the American Vineyard Foundation, the Northwest Center for Small Fruits, and the Washington Research Advisory Council. He is a graduate of the Washington Ag-Forestry Leadership Program and frequently participates in lobbying to congress for research funding. He has been actively involved in the National Grape Research Alliance since its inception and served as Board Chair in 2020. Dr. Smithyman is also committed to vineyard sustainability and currently serves as the Board Chair of LIVE (Low Input Viticulture and Enology), a third-party vineyard and winery sustainability certification organization in the Pacific Northwest.



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