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SHEDD AQUARIUM FACILITY LEADER AWARDED
INDUSTRY'S TOP NATIONAL HONOR, FACILITY EXECUTIVE OF THE YEAR

Shedd's Vice President of Facilities Bob Wengel Selected for Coveted Award from Industry's Leading Magazine, Today's Facility Manager

CHICAGO – [Shedd Aquarium](http://www.sheddaquarium.org)'s vice president of facilities, Bob Wengel, has been named the 2012 Facility Executive of the Year by *Today's Facility Manager*, a leading specialized trade publication for the nation's top corporate facility executives in all industry and service sectors. Recognizing his integral role and oversight of the aquarium's five-year facility plan, the award applauds Wengel's success integrating sustainability into the aquarium's overall daily operations.

The industry's most prestigious form of recognition reviews several nominations from all over the country to acknowledge the achievements of an individual involved in a recent construction or renovation project within their facility.

"The entire Shedd Aquarium organization is very proud of Bob and the whole Facilities Management team for their round-the-clock hard work to support Shedd's mission of sustainability," said Mike Delfini, Chief Operation Officer at Shedd. "We have always considered Bob and his team's work to be award-winning, and the Facility Executive of the Year award makes it official. Congratulations to Bob and the entire Shedd Aquarium facilities team who truly make Shedd a world-class aquarium for our animals and guests."

Beginning his career at Shedd as maintenance carpenter in 1995, Wengel currently oversees the Maintenance, Operations, Environmental Services, and Safety and Security departments as the vice president of facilities. In addition, he manages about 20 maintenance service contracts, including elevators, chiller and fire systems testing and maintenance, roofing and tuck pointing, and landscaping services. As a graduate from Lewis University in Chicago, Wengel is certified by the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) as a licensed aircraft mechanic. He currently lives in Lockport, Ill. with his wife and two daughters.

Wengel is featured on the cover of the magazine's January 2012 issue, which you can see here: <http://epubs.democratprinting.com/publication?i=97044>. To find out more about the Facility Executive of the Year competition, and to view a list of past winners, visit the *Today's Facility Manager* [website](http://www.democratprinting.com). For more information about Shedd Aquarium, please call 312-939-2438 or visit www.sheddaquarium.org.

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