



The wind, they say, it is a song, harbors through the winter,  
The wind, they say, it is a door, bids the soul to enter,  
Let us sail the seas, good friends, let us sail together,  
The singer lasts the season long, but the song, it lasts forever.

“The Wind Song,” Traditional Sea Shanty

## 2018 Dredger of The Year

The Western Dredging Association is pleased to honor

### David E. Simonelli

The Association recognizes Dave with this award in recognition of his commitment to safe operations as a right and responsibility owed by each of us to ourselves and one another; his relentless push for dredging innovation and confidence in our ability to reach next-level performance; his active engagement in easing the suffering of those affected by shoreline disasters; and his positive impact on the personal lives and professional paths of more members of the WEDA community than we can name.

WEDA affirms Dave as a true dredging professional, with mud in his blood and the Great Lakes Dredge & Dock Bull’s Eye in his heart.

Given under my hand this 27<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2018,

Marcel Hermans, President and Chair  
Western Dredging Association