

BEAVER DAM UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
WALL OF FAME

Gary Macheel

2018 Outstanding Alumnus



Gary Macheel, son of Betty and the late Don Macheel, is a graduate of Beaver Dam High School, class of 1970. He received a Bachelor of Fine Arts with high honors from the University of Wisconsin at Oshkosh in 1979 and in 1981 obtained a Master of Fine Arts in Performance Sound (a major he created) from Otis Art Institute of Parsons School of Design. Gary's journey began with his own sound design business. Later, he was recruited by a Hollywood studio and added sound editing to his repertoire. Some of the shows Gary has worked on in his storied career include NCIS, JAG, TUSKEGEE AIRMEN, and LONESOME DOVE. In addition to working as a Sound Editor, he was an Adjunct Professor at the USC School of Film, from 2008 to 2013.

Throughout his career, spanning three decades, Gary earned many accolades including those from his peers. In 1990, after receiving his first Emmy Award, UW-Oshkosh presented him with the Outstanding Young Alumni Award. Overall, Gary has received 8 Emmys with 35 nominations. His peer group, Motion Picture Sound Editors, awarded him 11 Golden Reel Awards and nominated him 32 times.

In 2010, Gary became involved in the wine industry. In 2013, as an additional milestone, he was certified as a Sommelier through the Court of Master Sommeliers, located in Napa, California.

Presently, Gary resides in Los Angeles with Beth Bohn, his beautiful television agent wife of 37 years, also a Wisconsinite. They can be found in the Silverlake neighborhood where he continues to engage folks with fun wine facts every day.