



Jeff Vahle President Walt Disney World Resort

Jeff Vahle is president of Walt Disney World Resort, America's largest single-site workplace. Now in his 35th year with Disney Experiences, Jeff oversees a workforce of approximately 80,000 cast members at four theme parks, more than 25 resort hotels, two water parks, a sports complex, a shopping/dining/entertainment district, behind-the-scenes facilities support and much more.

In the five years since he assumed this role, Jeff and team have opened the reimagined *Test Track; Tiana's Bayou Adventure; Country Bear Musical Jamboree; Journey of Water, inspired by Moana; Tron Lightcycle / Run; Guardians of the Galaxy: Cosmic Rewind;* and new nighttime spectaculars at both Magic Kingdom and EPCOT. He has also overseen resort refurbishments and expansions, including the new Island Tower at Disney's Polynesian Villas & Bungalows; and the openings of numerous food and beverage locations at Walt Disney World parks and resorts, as well as Disney Springs.

Work is now underway on billions of dollars in additional investments to Walt Disney World, including new lands and attractions at Magic Kingdom, Disney's Hollywood Studios and Disney's Animal Kingdom.

In addition to his duties at Walt Disney World, Jeff oversees Worldwide Safety, Health, Engineering and Sourcing for Disney Experiences worldwide. These teams have as their priority the safety of all who work at or visit Disney vacation experiences around the globe.

Prior to his current roles, Jeff was concurrently the leader of Disney Signature Experiences (which includes Disney Cruise Line, Disney Vacation Club, Adventures by Disney, National Geographic Expeditions and more), and Facilities and Operations Services for Disney theme parks worldwide.

Since starting his Disney career in 1990, Jeff has held various leadership roles instrumental to developing Disney destinations worldwide, including Disney California Adventure, Hong Kong Disneyland and Shanghai Disney Resort.

Active in the community, Jeff serves on the board of directors for the Rollins College Board of Trustees, is part of the Orlando Economic Partnership and a member of The Florida Council of 100.

He earned a bachelor's degree in mechanical engineering from Auburn University and a master's degree in business administration from Rollins College.