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Abstract: Walt Disney Imagineering is the creative force that imagines, designs and brings to life all Disney theme parks, resorts, attractions and cruise ships worldwide. Working across a spectrum of disciplines that range from creative and conceptual to scientific and technical, Imagineers blend an innovative mixture of storytelling, art, science and technology to create immersive experiences, memorable destinations, and innovative entertainment for families around the globe.

Bio: Michael has been with Walt Disney Imagineering for over 22 years, the last 15 years in Construction Management. This includes 6 years of international experience, as the lead CM for Shanghai Disneyland's New Tomorrowland and Disneyland Paris's Walt Disney Studios Park Expansion. Domestic experiences include at least one Attraction/Ride in almost every Park in Walt Disney's domestic portfolio. Michael has an undergraduate degree in Civil Engineering, a Masters in Construction Engineering and a Master of Business Administration. He is a licensed Professional Engineer, previously sat on the board of directors for the Association of General Contractors, and the Lean Construction Institute.

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