

OpenGIS®

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To William Lalonde:

In appreciation of your contributions to the development of OpenGIS® Specifications and to the advancement of the Consortium's vision of interoperable geoprocessing, the Board of Directors is honored to recognize your achievement with the Kenneth D. Gardels Award.

As CubeWerx's Director of Product Development you were of primary importance in the development of the Cascading Map Server, a technology that has been essential to the worldwide success of Web Mapping based on OpenGIS Specifications. In addition, you have been the editor of the OpenGIS Styled Layer Descriptor Specification and the driving force in multiple Interoperability Initiatives. In these initiatives, you have always worked with dedication and energy to ensure the quality and integrity of the Consortium's technology development, as well as to facilitate the success of the cooperative efforts of the community of participants.

Your practical, results-oriented approach, hard work, and diplomacy have contributed immensely to the success of OGC's overall goal of building an open, standards-based platform for geoprocessing. In every Interoperability Initiative in which CubeWerx has participated, you have performed in a manner to make the entire OpenGIS community proud, and have exemplified the qualities of character, vision and dedication on which the Kenneth D. Gardels award is based.

The Kenneth D. Gardels Award memorializes the vision of a man who believed passionately in making the world a better place through the human application of information technology. In your contribution to the Consortium's success, you have done much to realize this vision. The OGC Board of Directors, on behalf of all future users and providers of geospatial technology, is proud to acknowledge your accomplishment with this award.

Sincerely,

David Schell
President