

Brian BlanchetteExecutive Vice President HII & President, Ingalls Shipbuilding



Brian Blanchette is executive vice president of HII and president of Ingalls Shipbuilding. Named to this position in January 2025, he is responsible for all programs and operations at Ingalls, including the U.S. Navy's amphibious assault and surface combatant ship programs and the U.S. Coast Guard's National Security Cutter program.

Prior to his current role, Blanchette served as the Chief Technology Officer and Vice President, Quality and Engineering for Ingalls Shipbuilding. In this position, he oversaw the formulation, management, and oversight of the division's quality program, research & development, ship design engineering, integrated logistics support (ILS), and planning yard programs.

Blanchette began his career at Ingalls Shipbuilding in 1996 as an associate naval architect with Research & Development. Over his 28-year tenure, he has held various positions in Engineering, Program Management, and Business Development, where he supported multiple international programs, served as the technical lead for Ingalls' LCS proposal offering, was the ship design manager for multiple platforms, and was the ship program manager for *Ralph Johnson* (DDG 114). Most recently, he was director of Technical & Design Engineering, where he led his team in executing the DDG Flight III, LHA 8, and LPD 28, 29, and 30 design efforts while providing technical support across all ship classes during construction.

He holds a bachelor's degree in naval architecture and marine engineering from the University of Michigan and attended the Center for Corporate Education program at The College of William & Mary's Raymond A. Mason School of Business.

Active in his community, Blanchette serves on the executive committee of the Gulf Coast Business Council and board of directors for the Jackson County Economic Development Foundation and the Mississippi Economic Council.

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