



Ted Danson

Actor/Ocean Advocate/Oceana Board Member

Ted Danson is an award-winning film and television actor. Along with his accomplishments as an actor, Danson continues to receive much acclaim for his work as a longtime advocate for the sustainability of the world's oceans.

Ted Danson is known by most as the lovable bartender, Sam Malone, on the hit television series *Cheers*. Danson won two Emmys and three Golden Globes for his role on *Cheers*. After *Cheers*, Danson starred in the hit series *Becker* while appearing in a number of films, including *Three Men and a Baby* and *Saving Private Ryan*. Danson continues to appear in a wide range of television shows and films, including *Bored to Death*, *Damages*, *Help Me Help You* and *Curb Your Enthusiasm*.

Danson is one of the world's most active and prominent champions for ocean conservation. In 1987, Danson started the American Oceans Campaign, which joined forces with Oceana in 2001 to create a greater global impact. In recognition of his work and tireless commitment, Oceana renamed its Ocean Hero Award the Ted Danson Ocean Hero Award in 2004, calling him "the ultimate ocean hero." Today, Oceana is the largest organization in the world dedicated to ocean conservation, with more than 300,000 supporters in 150 countries.

In 2006, Showboats International and International Seakeepers Society presented Danson with the Marine Conservation Award for his lifetime work in marine conservation. Danson was also honored by the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) as its Environmental Hero.

Danson lives in Los Angeles, CA, with his wife, Mary Steenburgen, and has four children. He continues to be a star on television as well as for the world's oceans.