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NAIOP Hawaii announces 2024 commercial real estate award winners D.R. Horton Hawaii named Developer of the Year

(HONOLULU, HI – May 13, 2024) – NAIOP Hawaii, the local chapter of the nation’s leading organization for developers, owners and investors of office, industrial, retail and mixed-use real estate, announced the winners of its 27th Annual Kukulu Hale Awards on May 10th in Waikiki. The annual awards program recognizes excellence in Hawai’i’s commercial real estate industry. This year they included nine awards for new and renovated commercial, nonprofit, and public projects and four special recognition awards.

Special Recognition Awards

2024 DEVELOPER OF THE YEAR: D.R. Horton Hawaii

For 50 years, D.R. Horton Hawaii has been building affordable and workforce housing for Hawai’i’s families. During that time, the homebuilder’s dedicated team has constructed upwards of 15,000 homes across the state. Ho’opili, in West O’ahu, is D.R. Horton Hawaii’s largest project in the Islands. When complete, the 1,550-acre master-planned community is expected to offer up to 11,750 new homes within a variety of mixed-use neighborhood design concepts. Ho’opili also is O’ahu’s first master-planned community to be integrated with the Skyline rail.

2024 LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT AWARD: Randy Hiraki, president Commercial Plumbing, Inc.

Randy Hiraki was just eight months shy of his 30th birthday when he opened a small residential plumbing company in his garage with a business partner. Nearly 40 years later Commercial Plumbing has grown to be the largest plumbing company in Hawai’i, with nearly 250 employees and projects that span the islands and business sectors, from hotels and hospitals to high-rise residential and research facilities. Building the company on innovation, integrity, and customer service, Hiraki is recognized as a business leader who hasn’t lost sight of his company’s humble beginning.

OUTSTANDING SERVICE AWARD: Kūhiō Lewis, CEO, Council for Native Hawaiian Advancement (CNHA)

Since taking the helm of CNHA in 2018, Kūhiō Lewis has been instrumental in driving the growth of this community development financial institution, a nonprofit committed to advancing cultural, economic, political and community development for Native Hawaiians. Programs he has initiated in just six years not only have uplifted thousands of local individuals, families, and businesses, but also have transformed the 24-year-old organization, leading to CNHA’s recognition as one of Hawai’i’s top 100 companies in 2023.

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CONTRACTOR OF THE YEAR: Nordic PCL Construction

With more than eight decades of building some of the most prominent projects that define Hawai'i's skyline, Nordic PCL Construction's fingerprints can be found on all the major islands of Hawai'i. While Nordic PCL's projects are often identified by a tower crane like the ongoing Hilton Grand Vacations Ka Haku timeshare tower in Waikiki or the Halawa View Apartments near Aloha Stadium, the company has undertaken unusual projects like the recent reconstruction of Kona Village Resort on 81 acres of lava fields.

2024 Project Awards: Kukulu Hale Awards of Excellence

NEW PROJECT AWARD – COMMERCIAL/OTHER OVER 40,000 SF

Civil Beat Plaza

Developer/Owner: 3650 Waialae LLC

Lead Design Firm: G70

General Contractor: Nordic PCL Construction, Inc.

NEW PROJECT AWARD – COMMERCIAL/OTHER OVER 40,000 SF

Kona Village, A Rosewood Resort

Developer/Owner: KW Kona Investors LLC

Lead Design Firm: Walker Warner Architects

General Contractor: Nordic PCL Construction, Inc.

NEW PROJECT AWARD – COMMERCIAL/OTHER 40,000 SF OR LESS

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Developer/Owner: Hunt Companies Hawai'i

Lead Design Firm: Steve W.G. Au & Associates

General Contractor: Shioi Construction, Inc.

RENOVATION AWARD – COMMERCIAL/OTHER OVER 40,000 SF

AC Hotel Honolulu

Developer/Owner: Continental Assets Management

Lead Design Firm: NORR, Inc.

General Contractor: Allied Builders System

RENOVATION AWARD – COMMERCIAL/OTHER OVER 40,000 SF

Hawaii State Federal Credit Union

Developer/Owner: Andrew Rosen

Lead Design Firm: hi-arch-y LLC

General Contractor: Nordic PCL Construction, Inc.

RENOVATION AWARD – COMMERCIAL/OTHER 40,000 SF OR LESS

Papa Pili'aloa – The Friendship Floor

Developer/Owner: Central Pacific Bank

Lead Design Firm: Ferraro Choi And Associates, Ltd.

General Contractor: J Kadowaki Inc.

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PUBLIC/GOVERNMENT PROJECT AWARD

Walter Dods, Jr. RISE Center

Developer/Owner: Hunt Companies Hawai'i

Lead Design Firm: Design Partners, Inc.

General Contractor: Moss & Associates

NONPROFIT PROJECT AWARD

Diamond Head Theatre

Developer/Owner: Diamond Head Theatre

Lead Design Firm: Studio Red Architects

General Contractor: Allied Builders System

GREEN BUILDING AWARD

Kona Village, A Rosewood Resort

Developer/Owner: Kennedy Wilson

Lead Design Firms: Delawie

General Contractor: Nordic PCL Construction, Inc.

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