



BEHIND THE SCENES WITH CÉSAR GIRALDO DESIGN IN O'AHU

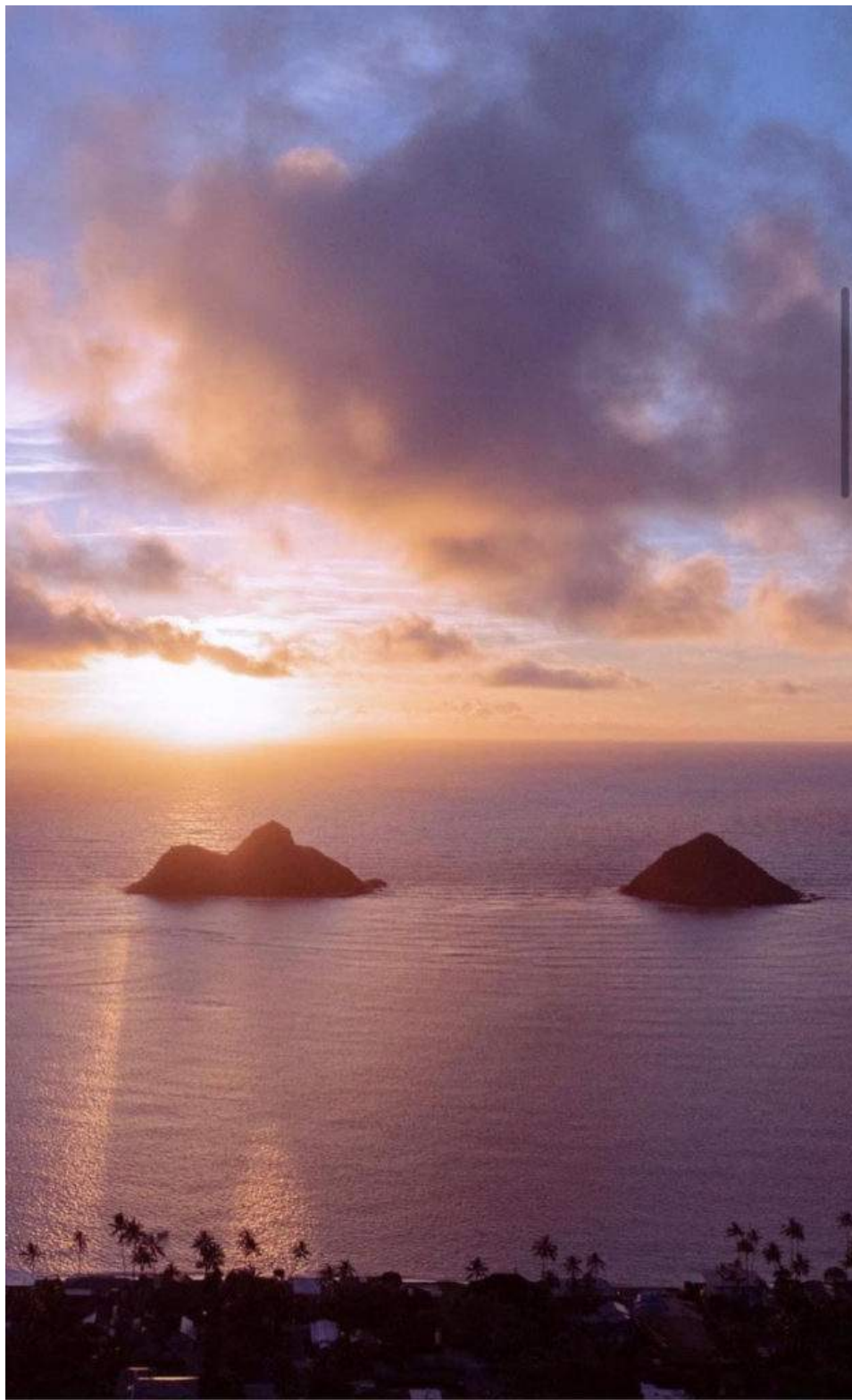
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[César Giraldo](#) takes us inside the development of an exclusive project in Hawaii



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"When I design a space, it is vital that I consider the topography of the area. For me, it is extremely important to be highly aware of the project's surroundings to understand how my designs will communicate with the outdoors," says [César Giraldo](#). "In some ways, the exteriors inform my interiors use of space. It's an important ongoing dialogue that I like to create."



Just one of the spectacular views from the site, of Lanikai Beach.

Giraldo is currently applying this inspirational approach to design to a very exclusive project in O’ahu for one of the most pivotal coffee producers in the world. “My client is the founder of [Kona Coffee Purveyors](#)—an admirable man who has had a tremendous influence on Hawaii’s coffee culture,” he says. “I call him the Kona coffee king.”



Rendering of the open-air kitchen and main living spaces.

Passionate about nature, food and high design, the client desired a home infused with panoramic views, covered in the finest finishes, that features a show-stopping kitchen. Still in construction, the 6,500-square-foot home faces Lanikai Beach. "My client wanted to ensure that the eye could enjoy the spectacular views from every single space of the house while maintaining a great flow."



Rendering of the open-air bathroom using Sky-Frame windows and doors.

In order to realize this dream vacation home with top-notch technology and materials, Giraldo is partnering with [BT45 Luxury Kitchens](#), [Cuellar Stone](#), [Gaggenau](#), [Hakwood](#), [Lualdi](#), [Sky-Frame](#), [Spec Ceramics](#), [Specialty Hardware + Plumbing](#) and [Tesla](#) on bringing the plan to life.



Rendering of the master bathroom covered in stone by Cuellar.

"I took on this project pre-COVID-19 and expected to go to Hawaii quite a few times," says Giraldo. "Due to the circumstances, my travel has been greatly limited." However, the designer and his team were able to maintain the development from afar, meeting the goal of a May 2021 completion. Stay tuned to a future issue of California Home+Design to see the final project revealed!

