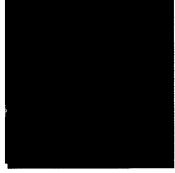
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JOEL KUROKAWA FOUNDING PARTNER, PRINCIPAL LANDSCAPE ARCHITECT

Joel was born and raised in the Hawaiian islands. His professional career has led him on a journey around the Pacific, from the Pacific Northwest to San Francisco, then to Japan, and ultimately back to Hawai'i. Joel spent eight years in Tokyo, Japan with PREC Institute, a leading environmental planning and research firm as head of Studio-J, a landscape architecture design studio. While in Japan he led the firm's master planning studio. Experienced in various project types and scales, Joel's sensitive and thoughful design process integrated urban development goals and ecological performance. Joel returned to Hawai'i in 1995 as principal of Hawai'i Design Associates, eventually acquiring the firm's assets in 2007 and establishing Ki Concepts LLC to better align with his vision and core values. Since 2020, Joel serves as an adjunct faculty member at the University of Hawai'i, Master of Landscape Architecture Program.

Our design solutions evolve from a creative synthesis of the intrinsic qualities of a site; its historic, cultural, and community context; a client's program, budget and schedule; and a reverence for landscape and natural processes.'

EDUCATION

Bachelor of Landscape Architecture, University of Oregon

Liberal Arts Studies, Whitman College

BOARD SERVICE

Council of Landscape Architecture Registration Boards President-Elect

American Society of Landscape Architects Board of Trustees Past Trustee, Hawaii Chapter

State of Hawaii Board of Professional Engineers, Architects, Surveyors, and Landscape Architects Board Member

AWARDS

2021 ASLA Po'okela (Lifetime Achievement) Award

2019 CLARB Service Recognition Award

2015 ASLA Merit Award DK Inouye NOAA Center

2013 Scenic Hawaii
Betty Crocker Honor Award for
Community Service, Kakaako
Complete Streets Demonstration
Project

YRS. OF EXPERIENCE

LICENSES PLA: Hawai'i

SELECT NON-PROFIT AND MASTERPLANNING WORK

Brigham Young University, Science Building Lā'ie, O'ahu

Hawai'i Prepatory Academy, Various Projects Waimea, Hawai'i

Honouliuli Middle School Ewa, Oʻahu

Kamehameha Schools, Various Projects Various Locations on Oʻahu and Hawaiʻi

Kanu o Ka 'Āina Waimea, Hawai'i

Keahuolū Court House Kailua-Kona, Hawai'i Island

Lili'uokalani Trust, Various Projects Various Locations on O'ahu and Hawai'i

Nānākuli Boys and Girls Club Nānākuli, Oʻahu

National Memorial Cemetery of the Pacific Columbarium Expansion Honolulu, O'ahu *Principal in Charge as Prime Consultant

NOAA Pacific Regional Center Master Plan Ford Island, O'ahu

University of Hawai'i, Culinary Institute of the Pacific Honolulu, Oʻahu

University of Hawai'i, Lyon Arboretum Urban Ulu Garden Mānoa Valley, Oʻahu

University of Hawai'i at West Hawai'i Palamanui Campus Kailua-Kona, Hawai'i Island

Waiākea-Uka Park Waiākea, Hawai'i

Waimānalo Health Center Waimānalo, Hawai'i

West Hawai'i Explorations Academy Kailua-Kona, Hawai'i

